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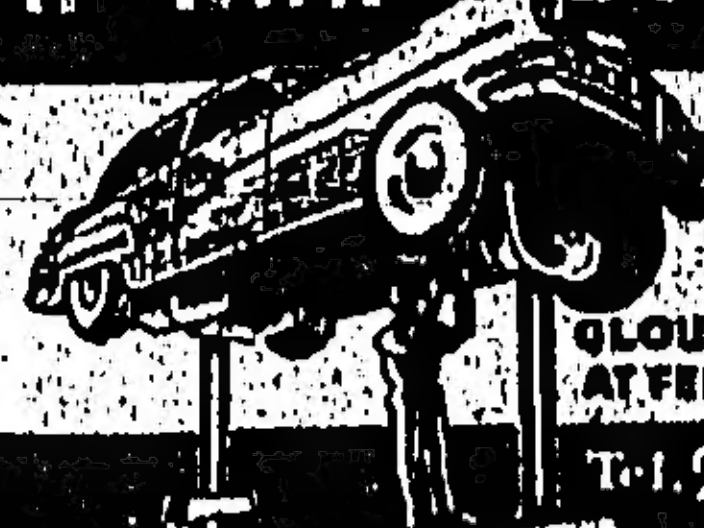
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## KMT FORMING INT'L BRIGADE IN TAIWAN

### Chennault May Head Air Arm Of Force JAP SOLDIERS HIRED

An International Brigade is being organised in Taiwan to fight the Chinese Communists, the "Sunday Herald" learned from reliable sources last night.

The "Sunday Herald" informants added that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek recently approved plans for the formation of such a brigade.

Details, worked out by Nationalist Defence Ministry officials in Taiwan, were sent by special courier to Chungking where the Generalissimo and other Defence Ministry officials studied and approved the blue-prints.

## Chiang Faced With More Defections

Important developments are expected momentarily in the internal Nationalist situation on the China mainland, the "Sunday Herald" learned last night.

## Japs Hoping For Return Of Islands

Tokyo, November 26.  
Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida today expressed a desire for the return of the Kurile Islands, Karafuto and Okinawa to Japan.

The Premier told the Diet Committee that "as a Japanese he hopes the Kurile Islands, Okinawa and Karafuto will be returned to Japan but since a question concerning territories is a delicate international question, as Foreign Minister and not in a position to say anything."

Premier Yoshida added that "when details of the peace treaty take shape I am sure the Japanese people's desire will be considered."

The statement was made in reply to a Diet member who asked if it was "hopeless" to desire the return of the islands since "historically speaking these territories belonged to Japan."

**Return Of Taiwan**  
Diet member Kichiro Nishimura (Social Democrat) also asked if it would not be possible for Japan to ask for the return of Taiwan at the time of the peace conference.

Mr. Yoshida replied he had not heard anything at present on Taiwan but that he believed Japanese desire concerning Taiwan would be given "weighty consideration" as time progresses.

The Premier pointed out that the United States government has stated that Japan, having surrendered unconditionally, has no rights concerning the Yalta Treaty or other such matters but "I think that allied countries, friendly to Japan, will take into consideration Japanese desires at the peace conference."

Mr. Yoshida told Diet members he had no idea when the peace conference for the Japan would be held.—United Press.

**THE WEATHER**  
AT 0800 GMT (2.30 PM) HKST the anti-cyclone continues to dominate China, Japan and the adjacent seas.

Today's Forecast: Moderate NE winds, Sea.

Yesterday's Weather:  
Maximum: 72.9 deg. Fah.  
Minimum: 62.0 deg. Fah.  
Sunshine: 7.5 hours.  
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1: 200.6 mm. 22.1 in. as against an average of 2107.1 mm. 83.3 in. for the year.

Forecast for 27th Nov. 1949:  
Temp. at 0800: 10.4 deg. C.  
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## Her Waist Is Like A Dog's Neck...



Doesn't sound very complimentary, but to Maj Britt, Swedish skating star, it is. She is peering through a brass-studded dog collar, which she generally wears round her 22 and a half inch waist as a belt. Snap a lead onto the collar and you've caught one of the beauties who appear in the skating pantomime "Cinderella on Ice" at the Empress Hall, London. (A.P. Photo).

## PI Government Agrees To Peace Talks In Batangas

Manila, November 26.  
The government did on about face today and agreed to permit peace negotiations in the Batangas rebellion.

Interior Minister Sotero Baluyut said there was "very good prospects" for peace in Batangas which lies 60 miles South of Manila. He said "You will know everything from Monday." He expressed hope that there would be no further bloodshed.

Mr. Baluyut made the announcement after conferring with Batangas Provincial Governor Feliciano Leviste. Governor Leviste has left to try to negotiate with the rebels.

It was understood he would offer them amnesty if they lay down their arms.

Only yesterday the government had spurned Mr. Leviste's peace overtures and launched an all-out land, sea and air assault against the 600 to 1,000 insurgents entrenched in the rolling coastal hills of Batangas.

Mr. Baluyut's statement that he hoped there would be no more bloodshed was taken to mean the offensive would be halted and the Constabulary and army troops would hold their present positions pending the outcome of Mr. Leviste's mission.

The known dead in the week of fighting are 12 soldiers and four rebels.

**Battle Continues**  
The Philippine Constabulary said that the battle of Batangas was continuing on an all-out scale today, as the government studied the request of provincial officials for a peaceful settlement of the political uprising.

National and Batangas provincial officials agreed that the rebels, who they disagreed as to the best method of settlement.

The political aspects of the uprising were emphasized yesterday evening when a Constabulary detachment searched the Manila home of the defeated, Nationalist presidential candidate, Jose Laurel, apparently looking for no weapons.

His study while he was shown the trophies through the house.

The Constabulary gave up details of today's fighting, although Batangas report said a

## CHUNGKING A WAR CAMP AS REDS DRAW NEAR

Chungking, November 26.  
Chungking became a virtual war camp as the Reds tried to crack Nationalist defences in an area about 50 miles East of this ancient city. Red spearheads, by official admission, were South of Foulung, Yangtse town 55 miles East North East and Nanchuan, highway centre 50 miles South East.

These spearheads were the front-line fighters of 95,000 Communists who, according to the Defence Ministry, have overrun South Eastern Szechuan.

Meanwhile, the Red prong pushing up the Kweiyang-Chungking highway, thrust beyond Tungting, 95 miles South of Chungking, but how much closer to this capital was not clear. Its strength was assessed by the Defence Ministry at 35,000 men.

The presence of an increasing number of troops in Chungking gave the city a martial atmosphere.

Forty armed soldiers today broke into the American Consulate compound through a side gate, seeking bullets. They left after the Chinese custodian convinced them the property was American. The custodian reported the affair to the British Consul-General Mr. Michael Gillett, who is in charge of American Consular interests in Chungking. Mr.

The Defence Ministry denied reports that Luichow, important road and rail junction in Kwangsi, had fallen. It admitted Red pressure toward Luichow along the railroad from the North East and the highway from the East, but said the city was still firmly in Nationalist hands.

Most quarters here, however, expect the Central China commander, General Pai Chung-hsi, to withdraw his forces from Luichow in due course, rather than risk his forces in any major battle.

In Chungking, the scramble to get out continued.

The Ministry of Communications authorised a 200 per cent increase in air fares because of the Government's silver notes made passenger ridiculously low in terms of United States dollars.

Press reports said seven planes belonging to CNAC and CATC situated in fields other than Hong Kong, would be loaned to Major-General Claire L. Chennault's airline—Civil Air Transport.

The flight of civilians to Chungking by bus and truck continued without the slightest sign of abatement.

The demand for air passages to Hong Kong and Taiwan remained high and, unless Chungking holds out for several weeks more, hundreds of persons intending to go away will be trapped here.—Associated Press.

**Reds Claim Capture Of Luichow**  
San Francisco, November 26.  
The Peking radio tonight confirmed that the Communists have captured Luichow, commercial and communication centre in Kwangsi and approximately 75 miles South of Kweilin.

The radio said that Luichow was captured in a "lightning" advance.—Reuter.

Gillett gave him documents to prove to future trespassers that the property belongs to the American Government and is under his charge.

Not much importance was attached to the incident as the soldiers, newcomers to Chungking, had no way of knowing they were violating American property and withdrew when they were satisfied it was such.

The Defence Ministry admitted progress by the Reds trying to cut the outer highway between Szechuan and Yunnan, which runs from Chengtu to Kuming.

It acknowledged that the Red striking North West from Kweiyang, Communist-held capital of Kweichow, had covered more than half the distance to Pichieh on this highway. They were attacking Chienchi, 50 miles from Pichieh.

**Last Highway**  
Once the Reds take Pichieh, the only overland communication line between Szechuan and Yunnan will be the high mountainous Si-chang near the Tibetan border.

This particular highway is in an extremely poor condition and in many places is little better than a trail. The bridges cannot carry heavy traffic and altogether it is considered useless as a military artery. It might be of some use, however, as an overland escape route if the present air link with the Nationalist hinterland is ever ruptured.

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## West Nations To Protest Ward's Arrest

Washington, November 26.  
Several Western countries plan to protest Communist China's arrest of Mr. Angus Ward, an American diplomat, sources reported today.

The protests will be delivered to the Communist regime in Peking despite the fact that Mr. Ward has already been released.

The representations were a result of Secretary of State Dean Acheson's appeal to 50 countries to take concerted action in the Ward affair. A number of countries which originally indicated they would protest decided to drop the case now that Mr. Ward is out of jail.—United Press.

## No Extension For IRO Camp In Philippines

Manila, November 26.  
The Philippine government today formally rejected the request of the International Refugee Organization's Geneva headquarters for an extension of time in which to re-settle China political refugees encamped in the Philippines.

The IRO opened a refugee camp on Tubabao Island off Samar last February and at the time more than 5,000 persons, mostly White Russians, were living there. They had fled from Shanghai and other Chinese cities before the Communists took over.

Philippine sources said there are still 3,800 displaced persons at Tubabao despite the fact that the government had set October 31 as the deadline for their evacuation.

Although the deadline is past and the refugees are still there, the Foreign Office told the IRO that no official extension of the deadline can be given. The government said the resettlement programme was needed for the Philippines' economic development programme.—United Press.

**FRENCH GENERAL IN SINGAPORE**  
Singapore, November 26.  
General Marcel Maurice Charpentier, the Commander-in-Chief of the French armed forces in the Far East, landed at Changi Airport from Saigon on an official week-end visit to the Commander-in-Chief, South East Asia Land Forces, Lieutenant General Sir John Harding, KCB, KCMG.

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3. Mr. Wilson Ho, is appointed the Assistant General Manager of Nelson & Co.

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While returning to the Colony from Tsingtao, a Honduras freighter was detained by a Nationalist warship off the coast of Foochow for 40 days since October 13.

The ss. Colon which had left here for Shanghai at the end of September found that it was difficult to run, the Nationalist blockade at Shanghai. She diverted her course to Tsingtao where more than 4,000 tons of cargo originally meant for Shanghai were unloaded.

In an interview with the "Sunday Herald" yesterday personnel of the 4,000-ton freighter said that on October 13 while sailing in the waters near Foochow, Chinese Nationalist gunboat signalled for the ship to stop.

The merchantman, complied with the order and a party of Nationalist Naval officers boarded her. The Nationalists detained the vessel when her papers revealed that she had called at Tsingtao.

At first the Naval men thought that the vessel was planning to break the blockade and go into Foochow, but on inspection the vessel, they found that she was empty.

After 13 days the merchantman was ordered to sail to Kowloon, Nationalist naval base at Tientsin, where she was detained until the morning of November 20.

**Searched For Flour**  
One seaman of the freighter who said that the gunboat's name was Yung Hsiao, added that the Nationalists thought that the ss. Colon had some 2,000 bags of flour for Foochow from Tsingtao. He further said that the Nationalists were sure about this because one of them said that the Nationalist Naval quarters had received information about the flour cargo.

While the vessel was at Kowloon, provisions on board were depleted and food had to be purchased from land.

Due to the limited amount of cash carried in the merchant-

man's safe, during the first few days of November, the ss. Colon had to sell 10 drums of motor oil in order to raise money to buy food. Prior to this, during the food shortage period, the master of the ss. Colon, an Australian, applied for a permit to travel to Taipei where he might make a cash loan from the American Consulate there. But this was rejected by the Nationalist Naval authority. The authority's reply was that the vessel should send a cable to the Colony asking her agents to supply her with the necessary money.

The ss. Colon arrived here on Tuesday afternoon. She was formerly an Australian ship. Later she was purchased by a Honduras merchant who sold it to a Chinese merchant living in the Colony. But although she was sold to a Chinese merchant her papers still show that she is a Honduras vessel because her new owner still did not re-register her under her new nationality.

She was delivered to the Chinese merchant in the Colony in June from Australia. The ss. Colon has a crew of about 60 men mostly Chinese.



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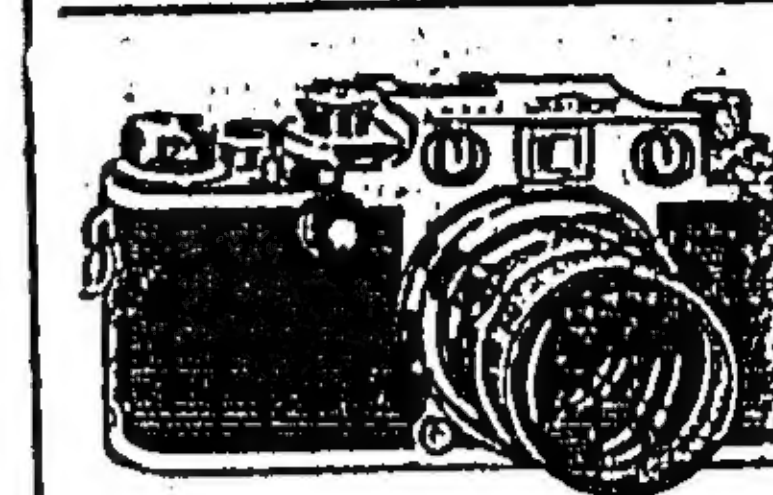
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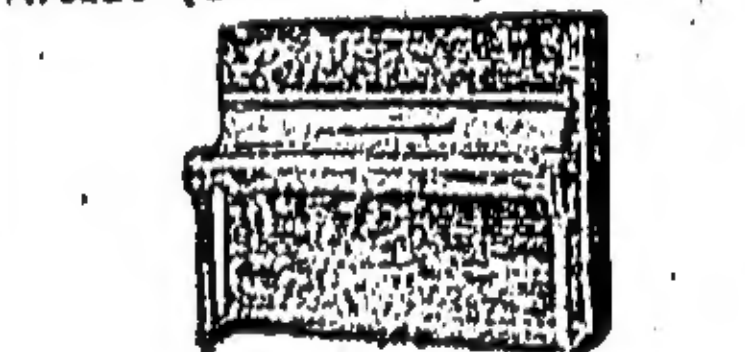
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(December 21—January 19)  
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## FEBRUARY

(January 20—February 18)  
Jupiter enters your Sun Sign this week; an encouraging portent for business and finance. Though caution will be needed in first two days of week, it looks as though you could take both social and business risks after Thursday. Some crisis in family affairs is likely on Thursday.

## MARCH

(February 19—March 20)  
Anything attempted this week would be best done on your own. Though a proposed partnership is in sight, details may hang fire this month. A good week for social life, official business, travel.

## APRIL

(March 21—April 20)  
Take pains to keep well in next few days, social and business success depends on your ability to cope with unusual situations. Financially, an interesting week, new ideas should prove profitable right away. Possibility of speculative "luck" on Saturday.

## MAY

(April 21—May 20)  
Something happens in next few days that clears up a long drawn out money worry. At the same time, a personal problem becomes more acute. You have to exert yourself for child or young friend. Don't be partly to intrigue or back-biting mischief.

## JUNE

(May 21—June 20)  
Though new chances may be attractive, you only enter them through in the face of tough opposition. This week better consider wishes of family and close associates rather than your own whims. Foster cordiality and greater freedom of harmony in your circle on Saturday.

## JULY

(June 21—July 20)  
If engaged in legal business or arranging a new contract, be very careful about technicalities. Some danger that you will be the victim of bad advisors in next few days. A good week socially and undoubtedly propitious for speculation.

## AUGUST

(July 21—August 21)  
It looks as though you will have to pay out heavily over some family commitment or long-standing debt. On the other hand you gain through a new venture end of week. A progressive week mentally, you will probably strike a money-making idea on Wednesday.

## SEPTEMBER

(August 22—September 22)  
A far-reaching decision may be



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necessary mid-week. If interested in property or considering family arrangements for 1950, be careful what you do. Link-ups and commitments made this week are likely to endure for some time.

## OCTOBER

(September 23—October 23)  
An undercurrent of anxiety about an older relative or treacherous friend. Better not make any hard and fast arrangement in next few days. A clearer outlook and probably easier conditions generally next week.

## NOVEMBER

(October 24—November 22)  
Difficult to shake yourself free from the claims of older people, or close relatives. Nevertheless, something may be achieved "off your own bat" on Saturday. An expensive week but you make unexpected gains on Saturday.

## DECEMBER

(November 23—December 20)  
Mid-week likely to coincide with a business crisis; be careful. End of week should bring better news and some necessary backing. Though general outlook fairly good, be careful how you commit yourself over 1950.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27: FOR MOST OF US:** Interesting day provided you don't go far from home. Better for mental activities, interviews, than for outdoor life. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Leaf Green, 4, Emerald.

**BIRTHDAY FORECAST:** Although you will have a number of problems in 1949/50 taken as a whole, the year will be an interesting and intellectually fruitful period. It looks as though you would try out a new idea and make a great success of it.

Fortunate periods when it would pay to take chances are February, March and June 1950. Months when you would be wiser to play on safety take as few risks as possible, are July and August of the same year. Throughout the 12 months, however, you will have to cope with one emergency after another and it will be difficult to make plans and keep to them.

Take good care of health, there is some danger that nervous tension may upset your physical well-being. Although travel may be necessary, it would not be fortunate from the point of view of health, if you are much on the move, take pains to keep well.

Round about June you will probably be very successful in some venture that concerns unusual people or foreigners. The more unconventional your link-ups in 1949/50, the more valuable they will prove in a year or so. Whether you like the idea or not, you will probably be thrust into the company of people of unusual type or out-of-way occupation.

Domestic life may be a little troubled. If married, do all you can to preserve harmony in the household. If single, and a free agent, you will probably make ties this year that are likely to affect your way of living in the near future. Fate seems to be leading you among some old companions and into new paths throughout the year.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28: FOR MOST OF US:** If work sticks to your fingers, don't worry. More achieved through social contacts and judicious hospitality than by hard work. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Pastel Shades 6, Turquoise.

**BIRTHDAY FORECAST:** Although this new year of life may open with a quarrel or disappointment, it will end on a happy note. What troubles you may have in the coming 12 months centre round the earlier part of the year. As you approach your next

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

birthday you will find more scope both in business and personally, certainly greater happiness.

There may be some worry about money early in 1950. More probably, though, your difficulties centre round the family and upon family claims on your pocket. It will be little use trying to sidestep these in 1949/50; all you can do is to be patient and pay up.

If you are interested in land or property, be careful. You may lose money over ventures of this kind early in the year. Also, make sure that your fire insurances are in order by the beginning of 1950.

About September next, you strike a fortunate period in business and a happy time socially. An introduction gained then will set you on the way to propitious changes and interesting new ventures. At the same time you are conscious of goodwill and affection from those whose opinion you value.

Although family life may be under a cloud during part of the year, don't worry. However disappointing older people—and particularly older men—may be, your happiness seems assured. It is a good year for marriage or engagement or, if married, for adding to the family.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29: FOR MOST OF US:** A good day financially, aim at quick deals before Noon. Later in day personal problems may reach crisis. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Wine red, 3, Amethyst.

**BIRTHDAY FORECAST:** You need have no doubts about material "luck" throughout 1949/50. The coming 12 months are likely to be the most comfortable period you have had for some time. Both your income and your standard of living will increase in the next few months. From the personal side, though, there are many problems ahead of you.

Yes, you will prosper this year, but you will also make enemies. One of these will be someone whom you have trusted for many years and who has been a loyal supporter. Although this particular estrangement may seem inevitable, don't contribute to it by indifference and over-criticism in the early days of the year.

No need to worry about your usual business but be careful how you deal with officials during the 12 months. New regulations are likely to affect you somewhat adversely but it will be little use trying to avoid them. Only trouble would follow from any attempt to evade responsibilities of this kind.

Better not travel this year. You will make more money, feel more secure, if you stay near home. Beware, too, of interesting strangers who may try to involve you in original schemes. Stick to the conventions both socially and in business throughout 1949/50. It is a good year for marriage and probably those already settled will have a better time of it than single November 29 born men and women. Friendships, run a troubled course, particularly those that originate early in 1950. Be careful that you don't get involved

in anything that happens in 1949/50 an older man plays a leading part. So, if in business, look to such an individual for the right backing and advice. If in a profession you may find that an older colleague takes an interest in your welfare and gives you the help you need.

If it is probable that your 1949/50 affairs will in some way concern property, if not, then you should get an opportunity to use some specialised knowledge or skill that you acquired years ago. Incidentally, it is a good year for starting on any lengthy course of training.

Better prepare to take life a little more seriously than usual. It will pay you to concentrate on your job and on your prospects for the next few years. There will be little happiness and little gain from social link-ups made early in 1950.

Women may make trouble for you this year, particularly those older than yourself. Family influence is likely to predominate throughout the 12 months, and it will be no easy gain in link-ups outside. So, if unmarried, better put thoughts of marriage aside for the next few months.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2: FOR MOST OF US:** Be careful you are not misled with something you don't want, or lose money over speculation this morning. Good for interviews, taking up introduction. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Bright Yellow, 4, Diamond.

**BIRTHDAY FORECAST:** The first half of your birthday year is likely to prove a more expensive period than you anticipated. But money spent early in 1950 is likely to bring its reward before the year is out. What you gain in experience and in new schemes should be ample repayment.

Nevertheless, it could be worthwhile using a little economy during the early months of 1950. Cut down overheads if you can and rule out speculation for the moment. Later in the year—probably after June—you will be able to afford a few risks.

There is every chance of success in a new and daring enterprise that may involve travel or have some connection with people overseas. It will be worthwhile developing foreign interests of any kind in 1949/50. Such link-ups would prove very advantageous in a year or so.

Socially it will be a year out of the ordinary. You make friends of unconventional type and probably link up with a very different group from that with which you have been associated. If interested in politics, you are likely to take the lead in some local activities.

Happiness ahead this year should be of an unconventional kind and the search for it may lead you into strange situations. It looks as though you will make

a link-up of the greatest importance or one that affects the family or runs counter to your own prejudices. By the time you reach your next birthday many of your ideas will have re-orientated and this new link-up will probably take first place in your thoughts.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3rd: FOR MOST OF US:** Excellent for settling family problems, attending to house and garden. Good, too, for sport and formal entertaining. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Navy blue, 6, Jade.

**BIRTHDAY FORECAST:** This year will begin to see good results from your efforts of during the war period and since. Some training that you had eight to nine years ago or some enterprise that was launched then now brings a good reward. You will realise the value of a good family background and of friendships of long standing. Older men in particular are likely to be a standby and a help to you throughout the year. You may embark upon some worth-while business venture in collaboration with your father, old friends, or former employer.

You may not see many financial returns right away from your ventures this year, but all the time you will be building for the future. What you do in 1950 is likely to be of great value in 1958 and 1959.

There is some likelihood of a legacy probably in the shape of property. Alternatively, you make a very successful investment in land or house towards the end of the year. If your work takes you out of doors or if you are keen on sport, you may achieve something notable in 1949/50. The older you are the happier your life will be throughout the coming 12 months. If this birthday finds you 40 or more there may be unexpected happiness and even romance ahead. Many widows and widowers born on this date will remarry; if still young yourself, marriage is likely to some-one 12 or 16 years your senior.



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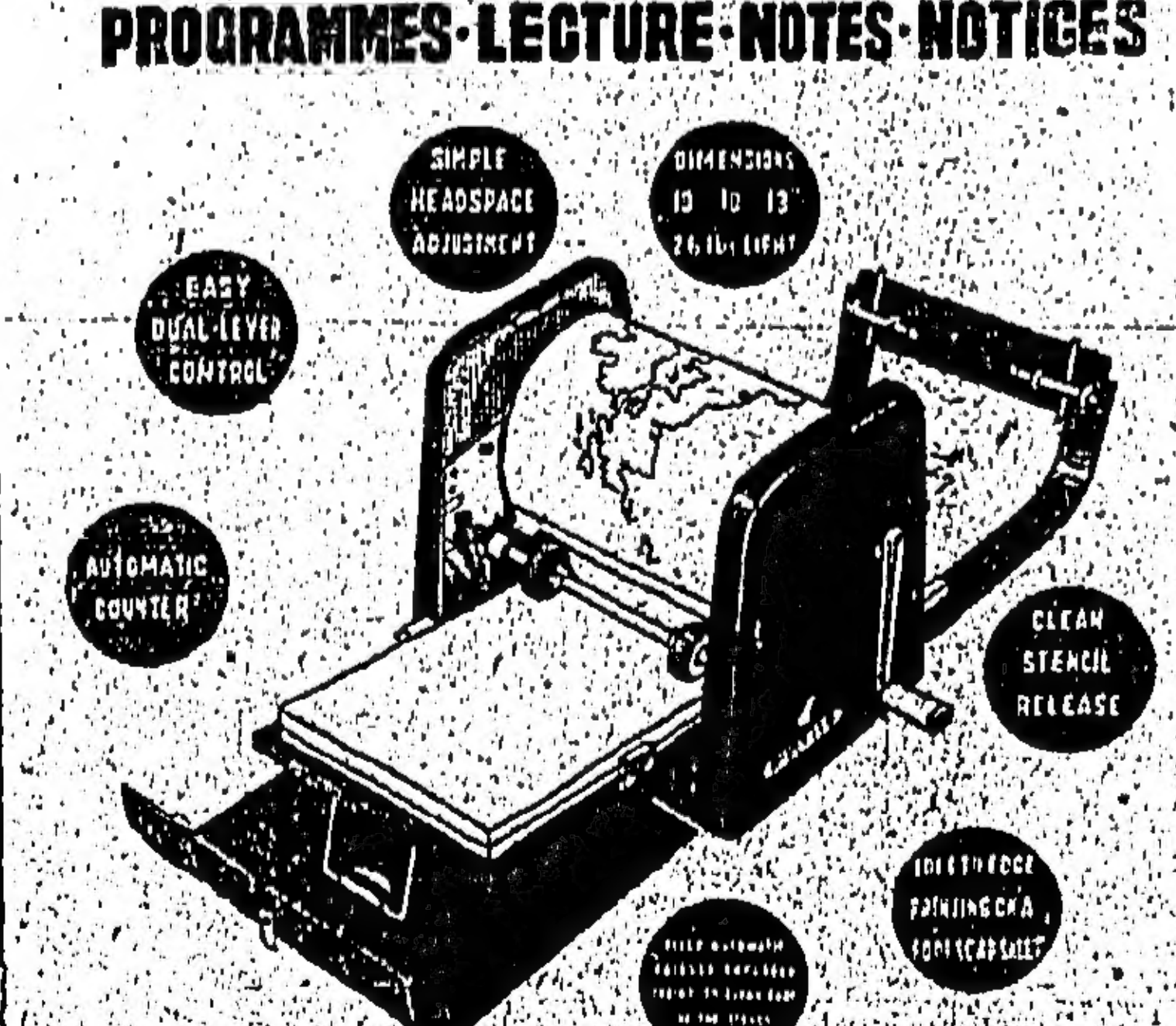
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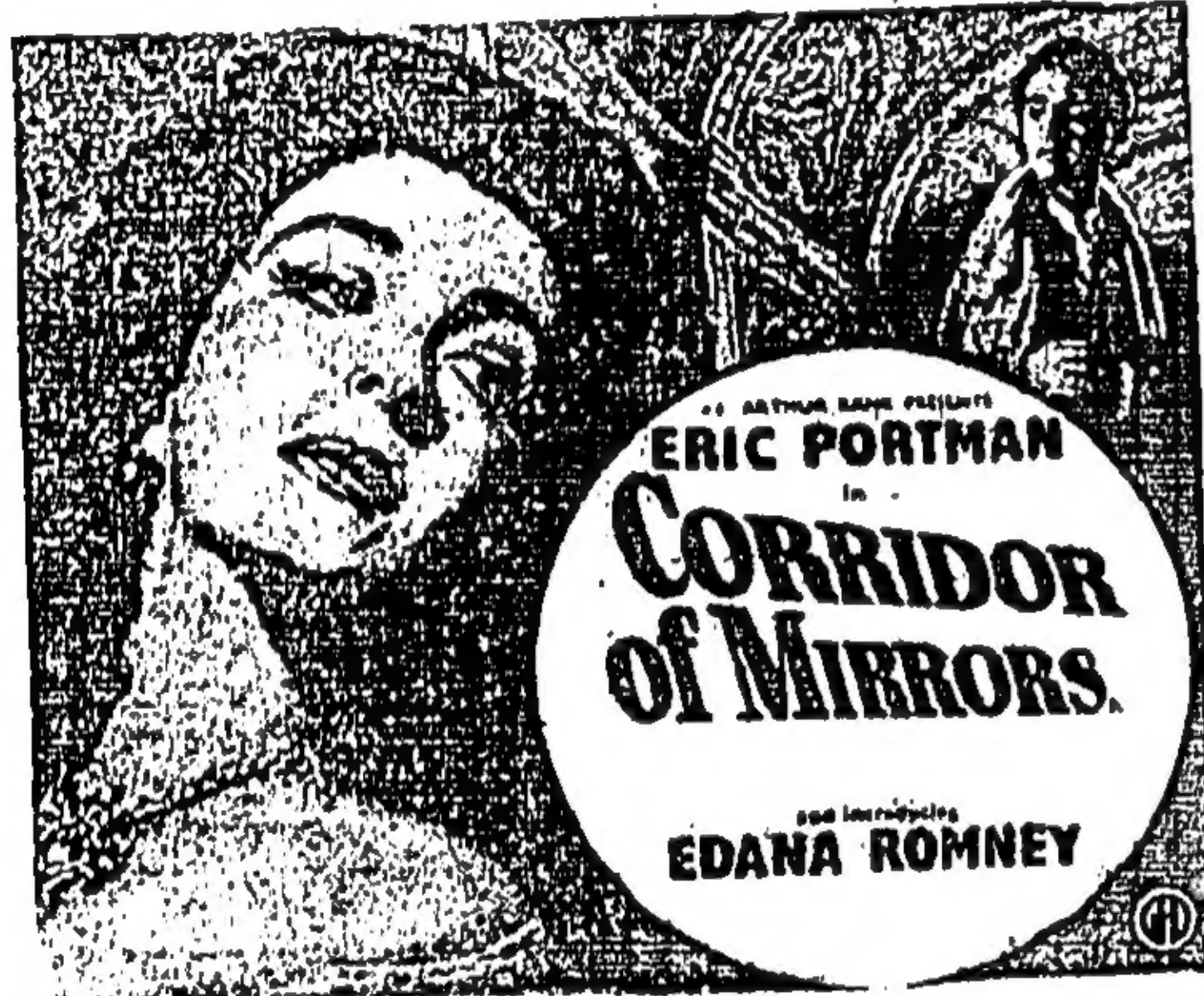
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Paris, November 25.

## ECHO OF ORAN INCIDENT

Hamburg, November 25.  
Was the sinking of the French Vichy fleet and the killing of 1,500 French neutrals by the British in North Africa in 1942, contrary to International Law or not?

The British Military Tribunal trying former German Field Marshal Erich von Manstein for alleged war crimes here will have to answer this question before coming to a verdict.

The British defence counsel says it was. The prosecutor, also British, says it was not. Beginning his closing speech for the prosecution today, Sir Arthur Comyns Carr said the French ships, contrary to a Franco-British agreement, tried to escape and were therefore fired upon and sunk by Admiral Sir James Somerville.

The French Admiral could have saved his men by letting them go ashore, Sir Arthur alleged. The French people, who were most concerned, took the view that these men died for the common cause of France and Great Britain, he said. Associated Press.

France's 24-hour general strike appeared today to be a near failure. Workers were insisting on staying at work, reports throughout France showed.

It was clear that the strike was far from general. A Socialist Cabinet Minister, M. Eugene Thomas, who heads the Post Office, said: "The strike is a fiasco."

The mines and most big industries were shut down and transport disrupted. However, the effects on normal life were not very noticeable.

Practically all shops were open as well as banks, the stock exchange, insurance companies and Government offices. There were few taxis and the Government ran buses to ease the transport problem.

Government sources said there was clearly no enthusiasm among the rank and file of labour for the strike.

There had been no reports of fighting and Government sources said, "Most factory workers decided it was wiser to stay away from the mills for one day rather than risk tangling with militant Unions."

In Marseilles, the Mediterranean port renowned for its violence, there was complete calm. "Only by the absence of trolley buses and buses and the closing of factories and some big stores, could you tell there is a strike on," reported a correspondent from Marseilles.

## Ships Sail

Lille reported that in the heavy industrial North of France the strike was 30 per cent effective among chemical factory workers, 40 per cent among textile workers, 80 per cent among the metal workers, and 10 per cent among workers at Lille Railway Station.

As far as could be determined, most international trains and some local trains were running throughout France.

Labour Ministry sources in Paris estimated the number of striking railway workers at only 40 per cent.

It is even hoped to get a couple of underground lines going later in the day. Refuse was being collected.

At Marseilles, two cargo ships sailed although the dockers were on strike. Ships were entering the port without any fuss from the dockers. They refused to unload cargo but let passengers disembark.

Deputy Guy Mollet, a power in the Socialist Party, expressed surprise that labour seemed so reluctant to strike.

## Train Stopped

At Bordeaux, 300 strikers prevented the departure of a train to Spain by invading the track. Police were unable to clear them.

The port of Le Havre was at a standstill, no ships were loaded or discharged and no ships entered or left. Ships due to dock stayed in the roadstead and will enter tomorrow.

Dockers struck in Calais but Channel steamers ran and porters were available. Shipping was also affected at Cherbourg.

Some Air France services were curtailed, but British European Airways flew normal services, though they carried no freight. British Railways cancelled one train for France.

Production was halved at the Renault and Citroen works in Paris. Associated Press and Reuter.

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## Prague Extends Purge To Farms

Prague, November 25.

Communist Czechoslovakia's middle class purge, which already has galled thousands of businessmen, was extended into the countryside. Victims of the new purge were the large farm owners.

## Speed-Up On European Railways

Amsterdam, November 25.

Railway experts from 19 European countries at a conference in Amsterdam today made several decisions designed to speed up European goods traffic and help inter-European trade.

A four member delegation was sent from the Russian-controlled Reichsbahn in the Eastern zone of Germany.

Decisions were made for increasing export trade between South Western European countries and Scandinavia, Poland and Czechoslovakia and for speeding up rail connections between Italy, Western Europe and Scandinavia.

The conference, which closed today, will meet again in Yugoslavia next March, and Switzerland next November. Its decisions today will come into effect next summer.—Associated Press.

The drive—apparently aimed at eventual collectivisation of agriculture—had been heralded by a Government spokesman, the Planning Minister, Jaromir Dolansky.

"The villages, too, must be re-organised," he said. "The big farmers are charged with 'economic sabotage'—failure to fulfill crop delivery quotas or refusal to follow Government-dictated planting programmes.

Such charges would seem premature, since the time allowed for delivery of quotas has not yet expired.

Penalties for "economic sabotage" range from imprisonment in labour camps to confiscation of property and heavy fines.

The sentences are assessed by Communist-controlled district national committees (local governing bodies) upon evidence reportedly collected by Communist search and seizure parties.

### "Sabotage"

The maximum land holding allowed in Czechoslovakia is 124 acres.

No one said how many farmers have been arrested.

Dolansky, in a recent speech in Parliament, blamed the "sabotage" of the land owners and rich farmers for failure of agriculture to fulfill a two-year plan which preceded the current five-year plan.

A recent decree ordered that all privately-owned agricultural machinery be pooled for communal use. The Communist Press has accused the "rich" farmers of refusing to go along with such schemes.—Associated Press.

## PAKISTAN ENVOY SEES ATTLEE

London, November 25.

Nawab Mushtaq Ahmed Gurmami, Pakistan's Ambassador-at-Large and Minister for Kashmir Affairs, today called on Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, and Mr. George Isaacs, Minister of Labour.

Nawab Gurmami, who is going on to Geneva on Monday, has been discussing the Kashmir problem, with statesmen in London and other European capitals.

He is to put the Pakistan case on Kashmir before the United Nations Security Council.

His meeting with Mr. Attlee was a general discussion of the Kashmir dispute, its consequences on Commonwealth and international relations and the means for its settlement, observers here understood.—Reuter.

London, November 25. The Very Reverend Henry Edward Luty, aged 72, Privy Chamberlain to the Pope in 1910, died at Chiswick yesterday.—United Press.

## Britain's Record In Housing

Brighton, November 25. Mr. Ansofin Bevan, the Minister of Health, addressing a housing conference at Brighton today, said that Britain had provided 1,000,000 homes since the war.

Mr. Bevan said that Britain, in comparison with other countries, had "every reason to be proud" of her accomplishments in housing and there was no reason to be depressed when it was necessary to slacken a little.—Reuter.

## PANAMA RULERS MUDDLE

Washington, November 25.

The State Department announced today that the United States has no diplomatic relations with Panama if Dr. Arnulfo Arias is President.

Dr. Arias, an ex-President and leader of the Revolutionary Party yesterday became the third political leader to be proclaimed President of Panama in the last five days.

He was declared President with the support of the police chief, Colonel Antonio Remon. Crowd acclaimed him in the streets.

Earlier yesterday the Supreme Court of Panama had held the Dr. Chanis, deposed on Sunday by Colonel Remon's police, was still constitutional President of Panama.

Last Sunday Dr. Chanis was persuaded to resign after Colonel Remon and two senior police officials had defied a Presidential decree dismissing them from office.

The Vice-President, Seno Roberto Chirri, was immediately sworn in as President by the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court ruled that Senor Chirri was only provisional President.

A few hours later Colonel Remon said that Dr. Arnulfo Arias had been appointed President.

Addressing thousands of cheering people from the balcony of the Presidential Palace, Dr. Arias said that his Government would maintain friendly relations with all countries and would give ample guarantees to capital, labour and industry.—Reuter.

## U.S. ENVOYS IN ISTANBUL TALKS

Mr. George C. McGhee, American Assistant Secretary of State, arrived in Istanbul today to preside at a five-day exchange of views among United States diplomatic and consular representatives from Middle Eastern countries opening here tomorrow.

Envoys to Turkey, Greece, Persia, Egypt, Iraq, the Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia and consuls in Cyprus and Jerusalem will attend the conference.—Reuter.

## BRITISH FRIENDSHIP FRANCE'S OBJECTIVE

Paris, November 25.

Several speakers declared in the French Assembly today that while it is right to promote better relations with Germany, British friendship remains a cornerstone of French foreign policy. The Deputies switched the emphasis from Germany to Anglo-French relations on this third and final day of their foreign affairs debate.

Vigorous applause greeted M. Jean Le Bail, Socialist, when he regretted that Mr. Winston Churchill's proposal in June, 1940, for common Anglo-French citizenship was never carried out.

"The necessary Franco-German rapprochement, now under discussion, must not diminish the importance of the understanding with England which is the essential basis of France's policy," he added.

M. Le Bail warned the Assembly that Germany will become the master of Europe within 10 years unless the Allies retain firm control.

M. Le Bail said France must make certain that German unity is not directed against her.

Asking how Germany would rise again without becoming a danger to Europe, he said, "In the first place, liberalism (lack of State control) and capitalism must not be given a free hand in remaking Europe. Liberalism at a European level means the end of French security."

### A Sinister Prediction

"If Franco-German rapprochement is brought about through the game of capitalism and industrial cartels, I don't think I am wrong in making this sinister prediction—In less than 10 years Germany will be master of Europe."

M. Edouard Bonnet, Socialist, Chairman of the Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee, regretted "British opposition to the creation of European unity."

"We hope that our British friends will pay attention to our appeal and that they will finally be convinced that without Great Britain there is no Europe," he added.

Demilitarisation of West Germany implied unlimited military occupation, he continued.

"Do London and Washington understand this problem?" he asked.

### Russian Action

West German Democrats had no agreed foreign policy, but he hoped the Federal Government would ratify the Bonn agreement, published yesterday.

Earlier, the Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, had told the Assembly that Russia had refused to free 78 French youths held since the war despite his personal intervention with the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vyshinsky, for their release.

"Neither in France nor in the French Zone does there exist a single person held against his will," stated M. Schuman.

"But we know the addresses of 78 youths from Moscow and Alsace—in Russia. I gave this list to M. Vyshinsky 10 months ago. I have received no reply."—Reuter and United Press.

## SHAH ENJOYING VISIT

New York, November 25.

The Shah of Persia told reporters here today that he had enjoyed his visit to America much more than all his expectations, which were very great.

The Shah expressed his appreciation of his visit at La Guardia Airport before he took off for Detroit on a transcontinental tour which will end when he returns to New York on December 18.

Asked if he thought his visit to America would cement closer American-Persian relations, the Shah replied, "This is a certainty, and a hope too—certainty for our side and we hope for your side too."

The Shah said that he had never had the feeling that America's industrial power was anything but in the interests of peace.

What had impressed him most, the Shah said, was "your fantastic industrial capacity and production and that you have been able to develop your country to the maximum that present civilization allows."

He added, "I was also most impressed by the simplicity and, at the same time, by the kindness of your people. It was so deeply felt that I enjoyed myself and in seeing your people happy and so well off."

At Detroit the Shah will visit a motorcar works, receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the University of Michigan and see his brother, Mhamour Reza Pahlavi, a student at the University.

On returning to New York on December 18 the Shah is to have dinner with General Dwight Eisenhower, President of Columbia University.—Reuter.

## SOVIET HOUSE OF CULTURE CLOSES DOWN

Belgrade, November 25.

The Soviet House of Culture here closed its doors today.

Its information room, cinema and restaurant had been open to the Yugoslav public since the war.

Printed notices in Serb-Croat Russian said in large letters that the House of Culture had been closed "for reasons which do not depend on the Directorate."

No official explanation—either Russian or Yugoslav—was forthcoming.

Usually reliable sources here stated that the closing followed a spot identity check by the police on Yugoslav visitors leaving the house two nights ago. Some of them were taken away in a van.—Reuter.

## AID TO GERMANY

Washington, November 25.

The West German Federal Republic and the United States are expected to sign next week a bilateral agreement covering direct Economic Co-operation Administration aid to Germany, officials stated today.

The Bonn agreement, which was announced yesterday, is regarded as having cleared the way for the signature of the aid pact.

This agreement is expected to result in Germany being represented directly in Washington—by an ECA Mission—for the first time since the war.—Reuter.

## Religious Revival In Japan

Tokyo, November 25.

An era of religious revival will occur in Japan some time in the not distant future, Jacob de Shazer, former member of the Doolittle bombing mission and now a Methodist missionary resident in Japan, said yesterday.

Mr. de Shazer came to Tokyo from Osaka, where he has been engaged in Methodist missionary work.

Mr. de Shazer, who participated in the first air attack on Tokyo on April 18, 1942, spent the war years as prisoner-of-war in Japanese internment camps.

He came to Japan last December at a Methodist missionary to spread Christianity among the Japanese people.

In a Press interview yesterday prior to his first religious lecture here, he said that his first year's experience as a missionary in Japan had very much impressed him with the fact that there are as many serious Christians in Japan as in the United States.

He said that fears which he entertained before his departure to Japan that the Japanese people would be as materialistic in connection with the air raid were entirely groundless. He had met, on the contrary, a very friendly attitude from the Japanese.

Asked what was most disappointing to him since his arrival here, Mr. de Shazer mentioned the fact that some of the Japanese Christians with whom he had come into contact appear to have not demonstrated the spirit of Christianity in their life.—Reuter.

## ANTI-LEOPOLD MOVEMENT

Brussels, November 25.

The former Belgian Socialist Premier, M. Paul Henri Spaak, was among the hundreds of Belgians at a recent meeting here today discussing a plan of action to prevent King Leopold's return.

The delegates represented the Action Committees of Socialist Party members and Socialist-sponsored trade unions set up earlier this year.

Today's meeting followed a call to workers by the Socialist Party Congress earlier this month. Oppose "with all the strength at our disposal" the return to the throne of provisionally exiled King Leopold.—Reuter.

## JUST PIFFLE

London, November 25.

Moscow radio said today that "the big bell of London's Westminster Abbey" was cast in Moscow.

"Incredible," said Abbey officials, "Piffle," said Veers and Staynebank, the firm which has cast every bell for the Abbey since 1590.—United Press.



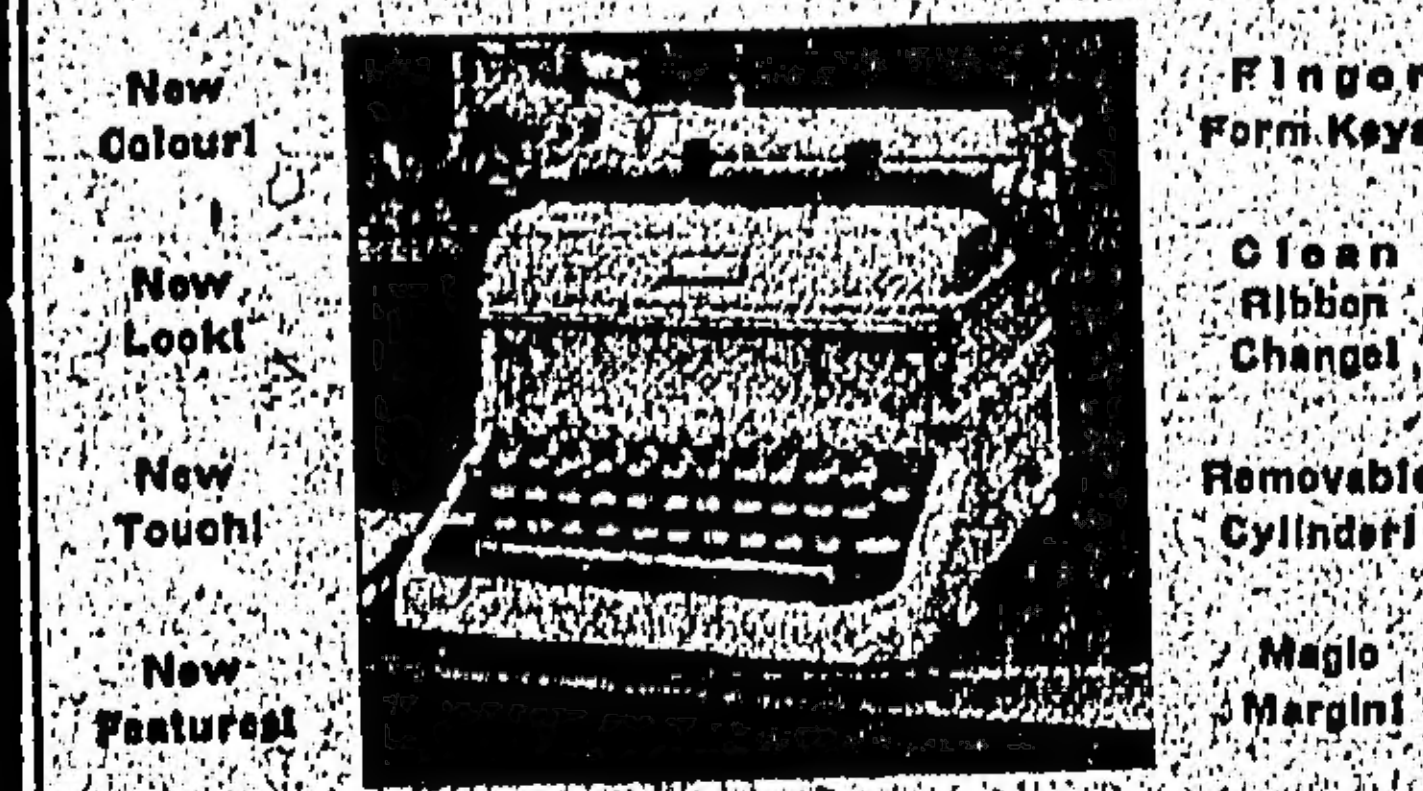
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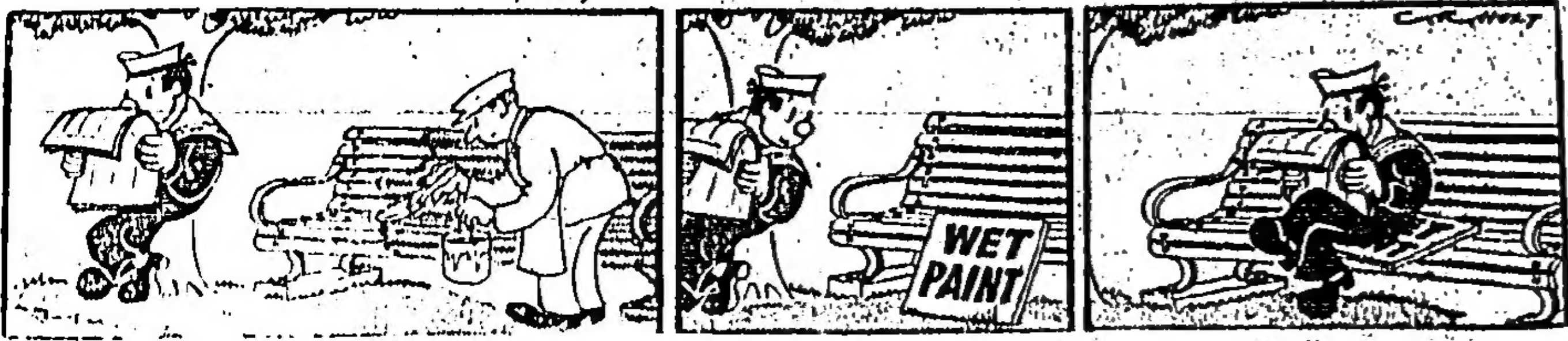
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## Behind The Political Scene

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# Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

How Lady Reading can find time to add to her vast programme of activities is beyond imagining. She is still the inspired chairman and untiring leader of the Women's Voluntary Services throughout the country.

This amazing organisation of unpaid women workers is still reckoned to be 200,000 strong (there is a new count on at the moment) and "strong" is the operative word.

There are 66 WVS depots in London alone and 1,200 throughout the country. On the whole it is not realised that an extraordinary amount of work is being done because they are not paid, but they are not paid.

The chairman explained that they do not appear to be doing much, but in fact they are doing a great deal of work. They are not paid, but they are not paid.

The process is simply to announce the nature of the job to be done and at once there are volunteers from all walks of life on the doorstep.

In the original charter, which called the WVS into being in 1919, the words "that a great effort must be made to awaken the women of Britain to the danger of their own inactivity" are still there.

You know the tremendous response to that call. Today the non-political, unselfish, non-profit-making women's service are hard at work. They have not developed merely into a vast helping hand to humanity in all its pathetic needs, but with Lady Reading in the chair, the WVS still so to speak keep their eye on the ball.

They are all out to assist the country in the present grave economic crisis.

It is pointed out that if every housewife in Britain were to save half an average slice of bread each day, at the end of one year there would be a saving of 500,000,000 loaves of bread. Which would make a substantial reduction in Britain's wheat imports.

All over the country there are children's clothing exchange centres.

## INVESTIGATING RITUAL MURDERS

Ritual murder and all the strange superstitions that go with it is the subject of a new Colonial Office investigation in British Colonial Africa.

Alarmed at the increase in ritual murders in the past two years, the Government has sent a Welsh anthropological expert—Mr. Gwyn Iwan Jones—to make fact-finding tour among as many of West Africa's secret societies as he can discover.

With him, Mr. Jones will take a report showing that under the leadership of such societies as the dreaded Leopard Men there have been 13 ritual murders in Beaufortland alone in less than 12 months.

Checking the reasons for these killings, correspondent G. D. McCormick writes that victims are selected either for reasons of blackmail, to pay off vendettas, or to obtain parts of the human body for witch doctors.

With the breakdown of tribal life in many parts of Africa the influence of the witch doctors is growing. So much so that even the education authorities with their lessons in modern medicine are fighting a losing battle against the witch doctors whose gruesome requirements account for 80 per cent of the ritual murders.

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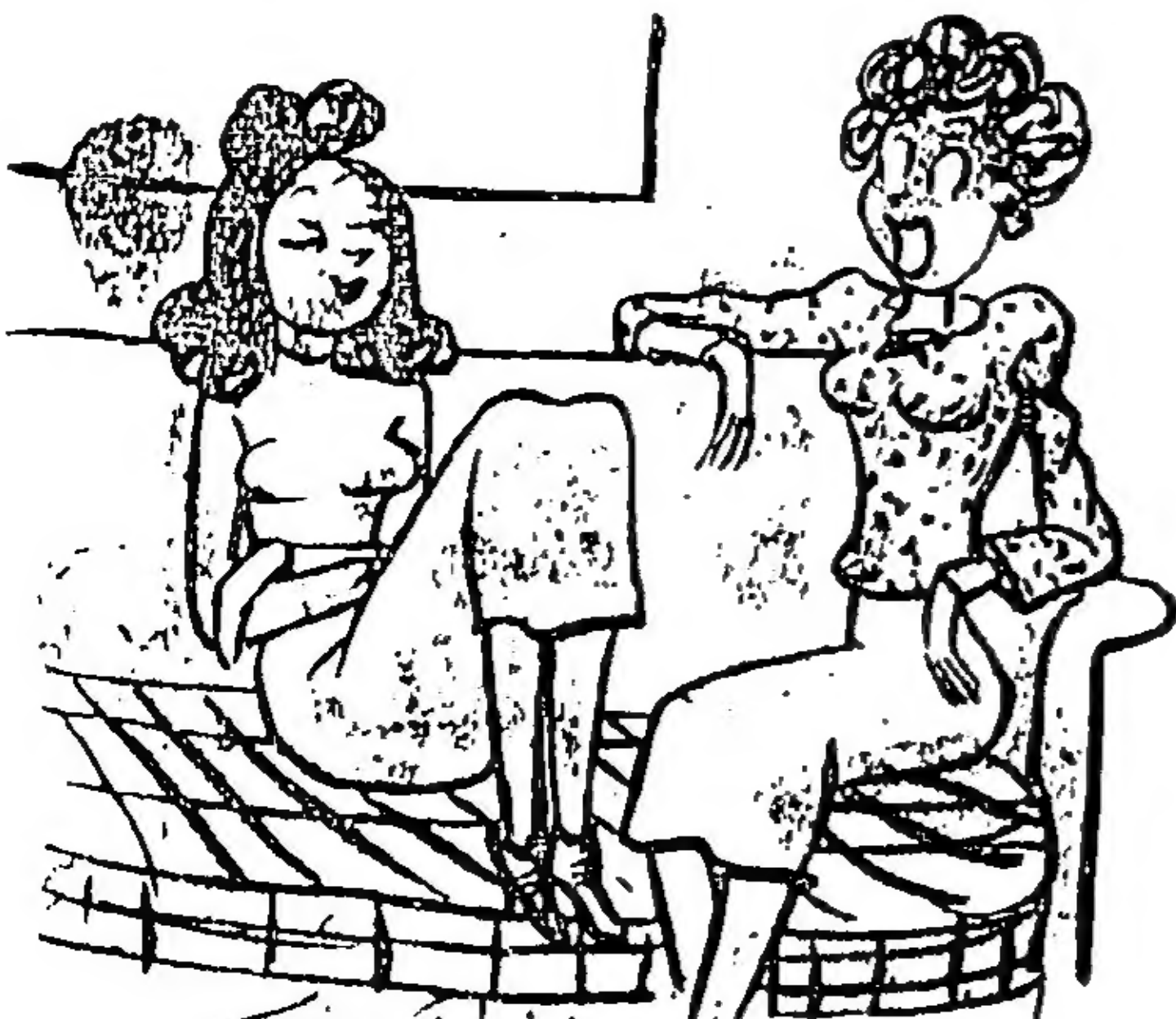
The outgrown garments must be clean and in reasonable repair. They are assessed and given "points" value by experts, factors being what they want to get rid of, and go off with the points value equivalent in exchanged clothing.

The idea is to keep clothes in circulation until they are no more use, clothing left in drawers is tantamount to money buried.

A nice balance of spiritual and material advantage is achieved by the Garden Scheme. The WVS

All around the large room, companionably watching and joining in the general laughter, sat people like Mrs. Field who told me she had lived in the neighbourhood for 68 years. "You can't read all day long," she said. "I've read myself silly!" She attends the club meetings as often as health permits. She added: "I'm happy enough coming up here. Life, after all, is what you make it, isn't it?"

Among the couples learning ballroom dancing with serious enthusiasm were Mrs. Bernard and Mrs. Olsen, who are 78 and 86 years young respectively.



"I fell in love with him because his clothes never looked right—pockets always bulging with money."

act as intermediaries for all garden-lovers who have plants and seeds to give away. You know, that "thin-out" business; it seems a shame to waste those seedlings, doesn't it?

Through this scheme countries have adopted prefabricated areas in town boroughs. So flowers and vegetables from Wiltshire gardens provide colour and food around prefabs in Kensington, where normally there might be nothing but rough, unsightly ground. The WVS do all the donkey-work of encouraging both sides in this end, they also, of course, collect and deliver the plants, sometimes a load of soil as well.

Among the 40 clear-cut activities of the WVS are the Darby and Joan clubs and Meals on Wheels. One of the greatest tragedies of the old is loneliness, and the single, unaccompanied ration book is starvation diet.

Meals on Wheels speaks for itself. Hot food is brought from central kitchens and sold at cost price, which averages out at about 10d. for two courses. Obviously there is no charge for labour involved. Each week 13,000 meals were being delivered to old folk at the end of 1948.

To combat loneliness and bring friends and interest into the lives of old people there are 500 Darby and Joan clubs run by the WVS. I visited one at West Norwood and found a dancing class in full swing.

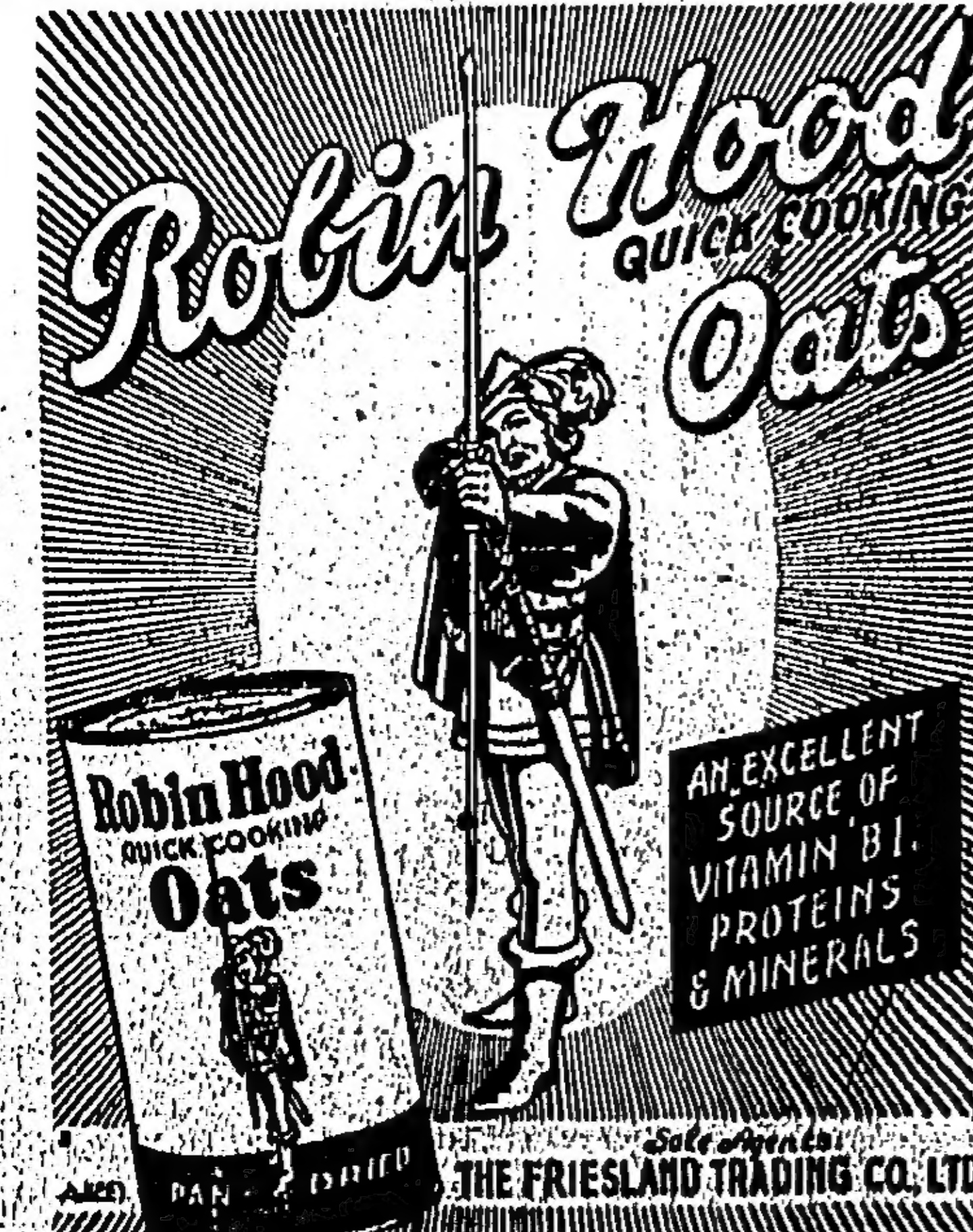
saw them dancing a waltz, polka, and Mrs. Olsen is quite a dancer. Eighty-seven-year-old Mr. Bosman was enjoying him self and end on the dance floor too.

Two lonesome old people met at the club and were married last August. John and Rosina Amey, who are 78 and 82, are not lonely any more. Ninety-seven-year-old Nurse Norton stopped a game at the little pin-table to tell me she would attend the days very long without these cheerful afternoons to look forward to.

There is so much more that the WVS take care of that I cannot tell you about now. (Such as arranging "Godmothers" to take small children on outings from children's homes.) It is a remarkable and heartening story of selfless and generous behaviour which is also constructive.

I have heard it said that a great general makes volunteers of his whole army. Undoubtedly this is true of the leadership of Lady Reading. She herself remarked that England had only two assets now, coal and character.

Looking at all the unpaid members of the WVS it is comforting to see that, in spite of superficial evidence to the contrary, we do not always have to dig so deep to find kindness and strength of character.



## TRADE UNION 'HEROES'

It used to be the practice for Prime Ministers to use the occasion of the Lord Mayor's Banquet to deliver a broad review of national and world affairs.

Mr. Attlee has broken with that precedent. He spoke to the City Fathers in accents more reminiscent of a rather curvilinear hand-mistress at a school prize-giving, a ceremony not unusually accompanied by a certain amount of silly sniggering from the remotest sections of the audience.

Price-giving was almost literally what the Premier spent much of his time in doing, because he has ardently embraced the new British Stakhanovism, of which we shall be hearing much more in the future.

"Three cheers," Ministers must now proclaim, for Piffle and poppycock, Ltd., who have exported 100,000 carnations to the Royal Stuart tartan to Texas in the past year as the result of working at overtime rates on Saturday mornings and cutting out a 20-minute tea-break here and there!

Two of the cheers will presumably be retained by the Government, and the third spread thin over the employees, most of whom would rather hear a little more of Mr. Morrison's latest "hit speech" about the praiseworthiness of the personal profit motive.

There is to be a pillory set up, too, which will act as a "discipline" to "lackness or inefficiency particularly on the part of management."

### The Policy Changed

Three rousing boos have, for instance, already been called for by some Socialists to be directed at the officials of the United Africa Company who undertook some of the pioneering work over the groundnuts scheme.

It is conveniently not mentioned that they were throughout working under the direct orders of the Ministry of Food.

In the same way no Socialist cares to remind himself that it was not he, or a well-meaning, if foolish, desire to "exploit" the full of the admirably high quota figures laid down by Mr. Harold Wilson that Mr. Rank blew his nerves up so near to bursting point, only to find that a change of policy by the Board of Trade had cut the ground from under his feet.

### Booged Down By Delay

Mr. Churchill has been silent for some time on the grave international issues confronting the Western world. In the short discussion, which is all that the Government is prepared to allow, he may not have time to speak of the great advances recently made in the Far East, as well as in parts of Eastern Europe, by expansionist Soviet Communism.

Neither Britain nor her Allies have any notable victories to report in the Cold War. Tito's so far successful defiance of the

Poltburo has brought the latter's iron heel more firmly down upon Russia's other neighbours and near neighbours, and affords a provocation that self-confident Moscow may find it increasingly hard to resist.

It is true that over the past year there has been some progress towards consolidating Western Europe. But next to the startling increase in Russian economic and military strength the progress in imperceptible circumstances, it threatens to become bogged down by delay and caution to a dangerous full stop.

Under the Atlantic Pact schemes of defence for Western Europe are being put forward on paper. If more had been achieved we should have heard about it. Small wonder that nobody likes to say how little flesh has been put on the bones of the skeleton in the Fontainebleau cupboard.

The anxiety expressed in the Lords debate last week is not yet reflected in the country, where the electorate simply will not face the fact that, if no workable scheme is devised within two or three years for keeping 200 and more Russian divisions out of Western Europe, its days are numbered.

### Need For Restraint

No doubt Mr. Churchill is particularly anxious to avoid, in an election year, any full discussion of such topics, lest it expose him to irresponsible opponents' charges of "warmongering."

But somebody must speak up, if only with the hope of discovering that the position is not so black as the complacent nonsense being put out by the Minister of Defence and the Chief of the Admiralty leads one to suspect.

For all these reasons a more realistic approach to the German problem was long overdue. A courageous and magnanimous initiative has been taken by Doctor Adenauer. There is need for a change of heart on the part of the British Government. In the French Assembly, or in the French Parliament, Mr. Churchill is the only one who is not to be jeopardised, either by Socialists in the French Assembly, or by Socialists in the British Parliament.

### 'May Be The Year'

At Strasbourg Mr. Churchill warned: "This may be the year." There is every need to hasten. Why, then, has Mr. Bovin so arranged matters that the formal admission of Germany to the Council of Europe so important from every point of view, must now be postponed until August?

It is not surprising that President Spaak should have accused Mr. Bovin of "not wanting this Parliament to function properly."

If there is to be a standstill in European co-operation, both in defence and politics, we shall find by the end of the year that we have lost the match-point to Moscow. Thursday's debate must reveal some statesmanship in Britain once more.

### Mountbatten Money

Lady Mountbatten was able to greet Mr. Nehru with the happy news that she is now within sight



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Snow lies picturesquely now on the heights of Spey-side.

And the warm lining to this cold fact is that, in a part of the whisky world, to the distiller's eyes, the distance between any two distilleries seems no more than a good, solid leap, the snowdrops of today are the night-crops of tomorrow.

For the snow will feed the spring and Highland streams that, in turn, feed the distilleries and give something of their lively character to Scotch whisky.

## Back To The 1939 Output Figure

It will play its chilly part in helping Scotland to maintain an annual production of more than 29,000,000 gallons of proof spirit.

That is the figure for the production year of 1949-50. That was the figure chalked up in 1939. And this will be the first year in which it has been reached since Hitler joggled the elbow of Scotch-drinkers all over the world and knocked the glasses from their hands.

Good news? For most of us, yes. But before you dust off the decanter, a head of sober facts have to be looked manfully in the face.

Present stocks of Scotch whisky (proof spirit) amount to some 150,000,000 gallons, but those stocks consist for the most part of what the distiller calls new whisky. There's the rub. The average age of whisky used in the blends is about eight to 10 years, and before every Jack can have his fill again the backlog of the war years has to be wiped out.

## The Story On The Girder

I have just completed a barley-to-bond tour of Speyside, home of "Highland Malt," the most important of the malt whiskies used, with some grain whisky, in the blends.

There on a warehouse girder at one of the distilleries was a miniature history of Scotch, simply told in two rows of white stencilled figures.

The top row named the years. The bottom row gave the production figures of that particular distillery for each 12 months. You saw the quick drop after 1939. You saw that two years were missing altogether.

In 1943 and 1944 peat smoke no longer drifted into the Highland skies from the drying kilns. The fires were out (in this corner of Europe, anyway) and the stills were empty. Troops had replaced barley on the floors of the malt barns.

Those figures on the girder, and even more the figures that aren't on the girder, explain why it's of little use to bully the man at the wine and spirit store (even though actual whisky production is now back to pre-war level).

This year's releases from stock will amount to 11,000,000 gallons

2,000,000 of them (which is 1,000,000 gallons less than the amount lost from stock every year by evaporation) being given out for export. This compares with a pre-war output of just under 9,500,000 gallons for the home market and 11,250,000 gallons for export.

Of the current export allocation, 6,000,000 gallons go to hard-currency areas, including some 5,000,000 gallons for America.

## Still A 'Go-Slow' On Release

The whisky trade is rightly jealous of a reputation built up over the years. It would be easy to release spirit for blending that was not properly matured. But it wouldn't be good business—and it wouldn't be good whisky.

So there must still be a go slow on releases from stock, and while Britain's dollar shortage is acute the hard-currency areas must get the lion's share.

In the United States the name of the special British picture "Whisky Galore" has had to be changed because over there the word whisky is frowned upon in film titles. But though the Hays Office may bury its head in the sand on the bar-room floor, quite a few Americans still like to see the word whisky on a bottle.

This year's revenue from America alone will be around 40,000,000 dollars, an adjustment in sterling price now neutralising the effect of devaluation.

But don't run away with the angry idea that America is swallowing Scotch. Transatlantic exports represent little more than 4 per cent of U.S. whisky consumption, and there are divided views as to whether the thirsty American can be induced to step up his demand appreciably—whether he can be weaned from other tastes.

## Outlook For Britons

The outlook for the man in Britain who can find tonic properties in more things than carrot juice is, therefore, better every year. Having accepted all he needs in patience and the money.

With a duty of £10 lbs. 10d. a gallon on proof whisky—that means £1 14s. 7½d. on a bottle costing 33s. 4d.—the question of cost to the purchaser is one which worries the distiller as much as it worries the last one of the line. These men whose forefathers first conjured forth the soil of Scotland what they considered to be one of the best things in life certainly don't want it to be free, but they would like to see it freed from some of its burden—eventually to take its old place on the non-duty list—as it certainly did in 1820, when duty was 2s. 10d. per proof gallon.

Happy days!



It's nothing, really, dear—just a sort of Chinese messes I picked up out there.

Time and Affairs again it has been stressed that the only hope Australia has of changing the Government is by merging the anti-Labour parties. And, at last the get-together is an established fact, declared by the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. T. G. Menzies, when he opened the election campaign outlining a joint policy the Liberal Party and the Country Party.

These two really see eye to eye on the broad principals of government. They agree on the need for certain oil and water characteristics defeated their purpose before it arrived at the polling booths. Now, however, under the threat of socialism which the Labour clock no longer hides, they have merged into a firm block for alternative administration.

This Federal election is the most momentous in the history of the Commonwealth and Mr. Menzies subordinated all to one main issue, the opportunity given the electors to insure personal freedom. No one else in politics is the equal of the Liberal Leader for clear thinking and logical speech and he marshalled facts to prove that the country could not have a controlled economy without a control of human beings, and postulated that it was impossible to socialise the means of production without socialising men and women.

Short shrift was promised the Communist party with a plan to prevent any known Communist from holding union office, and a positive programme was given to safeguard the nation's free institutions and develop its resources.

The Opposition's plans for repealing the Bank Nationalisation Act were coupled with the intention of seeking a constitutional amendment whereby a referendum would be required on any proposed banking changes. Tucked in with this was the proposal that the Commonwealth Bank in the event of a referendum should be brought back under the control of Parliament itself, rather than under one particular minister as decreed by the dictatorial powers of the 1945 Act.

Sympathetic man-to-man solutions were put forward for solving and keeping harmony in industry, with emphasis on efficiency as the only secure basis for economic security.

## Foreign Policy

Foreign Policy plans are for greater Parliamentary influence than has been the case since the war ended, and that the House should be advised by an all-party standing committee.

The numerous official issues of the campaign showed that the two opposing political systems were never in more open conflict and in this month of campaigning the people will have the pros and cons thrashed out in the democratic way before they decide on the path whether Australia is to remain predominantly a free enterprise country, or follow the socialist route planned by the present Government.

This election party costs a lot of money. Party funds which are built up between elections for the campaign are fully disclosed. Each party is prepared to expand and enlighten on the other's methods of raising the wind and it is "traditional" that each can be relied upon to steel the other with full marks for all the intricacies known to business and politics.

The only points both agree upon are the value of advertising and the practice of passing the hat. This year Labour has had to step lively in getting after funds because its policy of socialisation has dried up a few sources; except as it is estimated that the Government party will spend £20,000 on the campaign which ends on December 10, and which incidentally will be the shortest in the history of the Australian Parliament.

# AUSTRALIAN LETTER

## Money From Union

Most of this money will come from the unions and the Australian Workers' Union are the biggest donors. Investigators claim that the Communists, emboldened by the goading of Communist, Sharkey, and the Government's handling of the coal strike, have managed to get certain allotments to Labour funds whittled down. The whittling has been done by the Communist Party and Labour officials budgeted to spend £1,000,000 on campaigning after the Prime Minister's attempted bank grab makes chicken feed of the Labour estimate, and though this is possibly exaggerated, there certainly has been no cheque-parade in the anti-Labour propaganda programme.

The Liberals and the Country Party worked together on the petrol issue, decided that a non-Labour Government could sponsor anti-Communist petrol, and rolled the advertising up, down, and across country to the tune of £2,000. Although the Country Party would gladly have borne its share, the bill was nonchalantly foisted by the Liberals on to the shoulders of the Country Party.

## Canberra Conference

Everything very hush-hush with regard to the Canberra conference on Asiatic developments, and the most likely explanation of the reluctance to disclose anything is that no major decisions have been made. It is understood that recognition of the Chinese Communist Government is favoured, and that official statements have been withheld so as not to damage the Government's election chances.

From the only statement issued by the Department of External Affairs, the conference appears to have been in the jolly old round table manner with Dr. Ewart and his boys swapping ideas with the High Commissioner of the United Kingdom and the head of the Far Eastern Department of the UK, helped out by the secretary of the New Zealand Department of External Affairs.

Out of it should come a working arrangement for Australia's foreign policy in relation to the whole South East Asia area. Aims are maximum economic development and orderly growth of political autonomy and democratic institutions, so that every one will be paid money and turn a deaf ear to the extremists.

When the Japanese Premier spoke out of his turn about his country refusing unfavourable peace terms it didn't even cause a mild sensation here because everyone realises that Japan just can't be choosy after her unconditional surrender. There was, however, great astonishment at Japan's audacity in preparing for the Olympic Games to be held in Melbourne in 1950, and unless there is a big change in public opinion, Japan won't even get the invitation. On the other hand, it is recognised here that Japan must take her place in the economic set-up of the Pacific and that she must trade with Australia, but this doesn't mean that the people are in the mood to welcome Japanese to the Commonwealth on a pre-war footing.

## Transport For Crops

On the land the growers are crying out for adequate transport for their crops. Good seasons have piled up all the primary products, and wheat and wool production this year will be the second highest on record. How the sugar will be got from the

hills to the refineries is a Queensland nightmare, while the wheat growers of New South Wales where the railways are woefully short of rolling stock, face the colossal problem of moving 200,000 bushels per day for the next 12 months. As the age of intercity has passed it appears that much of the harvest is destined to rot at the sidings, and many farmers are vowing that they'll never plant wheat again.

Cattle rustling, modern style, with trucks and portable pens, is adding to the drama of life for graziers with isolated holdings. High stock prices—a fat sucker lamb brings 40/- and vealers anything up to £20—and the good seasons have given a fresh impetus to the lawless. As the great put-back most properties are short of hands and thousands of sheep and cattle up to 18 months old have not been mustered for ear-marking or branding, so the bad men stand little chance of being caught in the act which is practically the only way of shepherding home the stealing of clean-kins.

Even the "dead heart" has come alive with such seasons as we have had, but alas and alack it is with a force that threatens the primary interests. Brier Rabbit, this man has become quite cheeky during the lush seasons and breeds in the grass and roams the country selecting the best herbage and leaving the weeds to thrive.

It is claimed that if rabbits were eradicated another 20 million sheep could be carried and as on a conservative basis the wool from a sheep today is worth £2 per annum it can easily be seen that a little of this money spent wisely would pay fabulous dividends.

Unfortunately the Federal Government has been too busy collecting taxes and spending on socialistic schemes to take a hand in controlling the rabbits, a sizeable section and it looked like curtains for the act. However it has staged a come-back in man and maid, identical for the swim season, and every beach scene shows the motif, most effective in this new favourite white patterned with large art moderne flowers.

## Of This And That

There's been a lot of tut-tut-ing since the American censor cut the nude scenes from the Australian film "Sons of Matthew" which Wendy Gibb starred. It is not that the delightful shots of frolics in a wattle-fringed creek are offensive, but just that the Americans, strange as it may seem, have a code which demands some covering on any person appearing on the screen.

This however did not deter the actresses from bawling the scenes as terrific and predicting that the star would be sought for American films. As Wendy has received the highest praise for her entire performance in the film her publicity is not likely to be affected by her mother's statement that there was a stand-in for the nude scenes and that the swimming was done in costume. The world premier in Sydney next month will show the film as the producers planned for the Censorship Commission have passed it suitable for general exhibition.

Adelaide is to be the first city in Australia with two-way radio-controlled taxi cabs. The equipment will reduce some of the luggage space but the drivers will be in contact with the street office all the time and passengers will send signals by calling a switch operator who will relay the message. Sydney feels that it is alright for the little sister cities to play with such a novelty but considers it would be a physical impossibility to cope with it in a city where people queue for telephones and fares pop in one door while a taxi discharges from the other.

The Italian ship *Reto* which we captured in 1941 and renamed the *Revolta* has been sold back to Italy and has reverted to her baptismal name. After 10 months at Newcastle undergoing repairs she is at last en route for her long sea voyage. The Maritime Transport Union has insisted on an Australia crew for all ships sold in Australia to overseas buyers, so the *Reto* at present has an Australian crew, getting three times as much as they would have, and although the Italian owners' representatives are aboard they have no say in her running. To pile on the force, the Australian crew turned down the crew accommodation and has been quartered in the passenger compartment. Because of the struggle for berths the crew was drawn out of the ship and is estimated to cost the owners £30,000, including £10,000 for the repatriation of Australians.

## "We Two" Craze

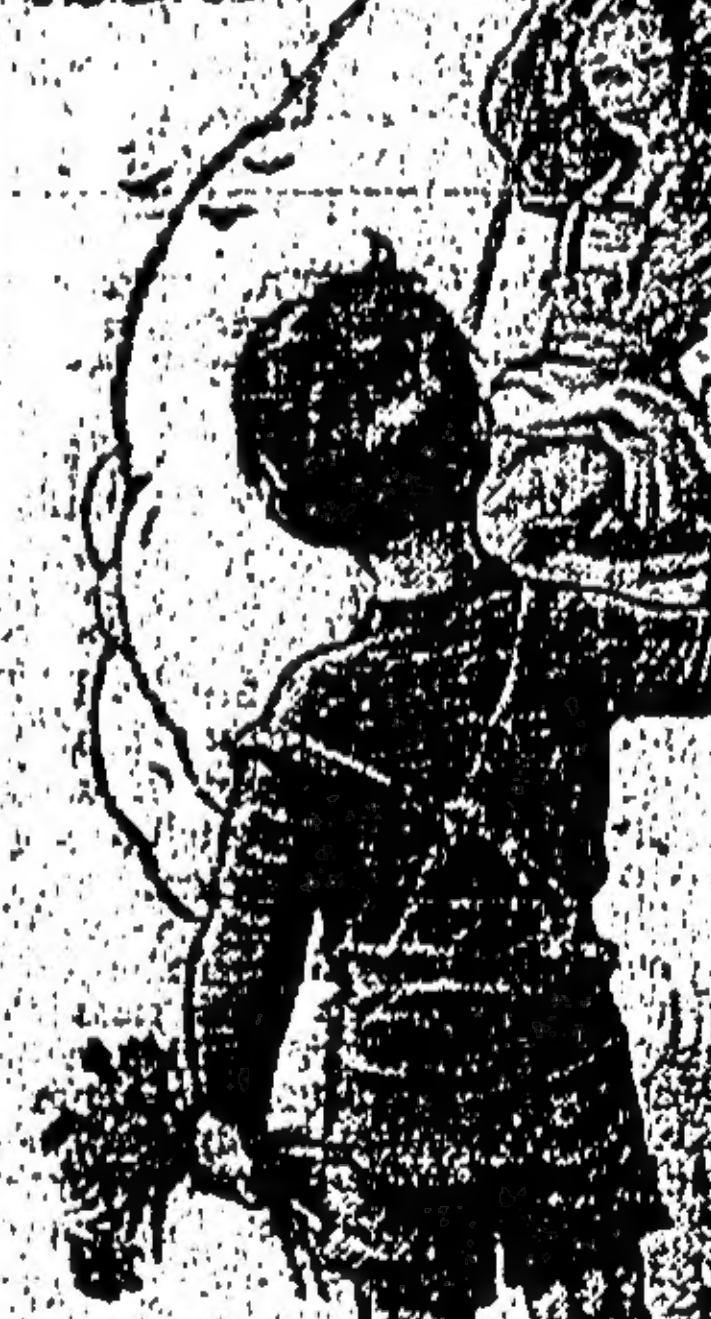
The "we-two" fashion craze is running through the community like a grass fire. It started with the charming idea of identical frocks for mother and small daughter, and then appeared brighter and even better in the cheeks during the lush seasons and breeds in the grass and roams the country selecting the best herbage and leaving the weeds to thrive.

Not to be out of things a few brother and sisters adopted the theme for casual occasions but the appeal didn't catch on in this section and it looked like curtains for the act. However it has staged a come-back in man and maid, identical for the swim season, and every beach scene shows the motif, most effective in this new favourite white patterned with large art moderne flowers.

Despite the fact that Australia are credited with wasting down every meal with a gallon of tea they account for a sizeable coffee import. In the cities hundreds of little shops do a roaring business on the utilitarian aroma alone but with the new prices they will have to start enquiring about for another lure, and there's nothing surer the demitasse will disappear from the menu altogether.

Devaluation has raised the price of hard currency coffee by 43 per cent, and there has been a crop failure which has further added to the price. Now at 18/6 per lb. the price is expected to rise in the next few months to 30/- per lb.

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## Shooting Your First Stag

By MCKENZIE PORTER

Beyond the field at the back of Irwin Andrew's farm in Douglas, Renfrew County, Ontario, the bush sweeps north for 1,000 miles to the shores of Hudson Bay.

It was in this dense wilderness of pine and poplar and cedar that I shot my first stag the other day, and learned how the sons of the sons of immigrants have muddled the traditional sports of their ancestors to suit the country of their adoption.

Although Irwin Andrew and his neighbours, George McLeod and Harold Sutherland, are true Canadian Canadians they have little trace of North American accent. As we moved off together at daybreak, in our red safety caps, bush jackets and half boots, their soft slow speech was that of the Scottish highlands they had never seen.

The remote settlement to which they belong is in Scottish now as it was that day 100 years ago when their great grandfathers built the small log houses they still occupy. The warm glow of oil lights of these frugal farms were not to view as the bush enclosed us, and the five hounds began to strain at the leash.

We were stalking. We were hunting. You cannot stalk in the bush, where the saplings are as close that they switch you late at every step, and where even the deer are forced to leap to trails blazed by the humans and their certain of English, Scottish and French hunters.

Men have wandered in circles in this country for days and then died of exhaustion within two miles of Irwin Andrew's home-land.

### The Oil Compass

After an hour of trekking through a temperate on the point of frostbite, I was standing, I was anxious not to lose sight of the others and realized the significance of the oil compass, strapped to Jamie Sutherland's wrist. The longer you know the bush the more you respect it.

Only one of the hounds was a pure bred. He was a big burly brute, something like a cross between a bloodhound and an albatross. They said he was an American deer hound. The other four were white with brown and black patches.

"They look a something like the English foxhound, but Irwin told me they all had a touch of collie in them. Collie blood weakens their scent but gives them stamina for the long chase through whiplash undergrowth."

Deer-hunting in this part of Ontario is limited to two weeks and the hounds are from only one line, the season, the hunting licence, which cost me just over \$24 in Toronto, was fitted with a metal numbered tally for fixing to my belt. It permitted me to take one male or one female deer over the age of one year.

Game in Canada is plentiful but now is carefully conserved. Its sale in shops is forbidden. Thus, only those who hunt and fish may eat venison, partridge or trout.

At 10 o'clock we had covered five miles and caught a clearing fifty years before, some immigrant hunters had cut down an acre of virgin timber and torn out huge boulders, stacking them into a mound 12 feet high and 30 feet across.

Before he had got the plough going he had died, a worn old man. The ruins of his log cabin were overgrown.

Three miles north was another deserted clearing. It was bounded by two clearings that we were going to clear. The clearing, half a dozen deer runs and our plan was to spread out along these runs to shoot our venison as the hounds drove it through.

### The Tall Timber

Irwin remained behind with the hounds and the remaining three of us pushed on north. First, Jim Sutherland, turned off the trail and vanished into the tall timber to take up his position. Then George McLeod left me.

I went on alone feeling agitated in the deep silence which enveloped me. Whenever the trail got

nausea, my heart jumped and I looked over my shoulder to make sure I could find my way back. I lost my nerve.

But I went on until I came to a small open area. They had described, and had marked among the branches of a giant balsam. I was to fire only if the others ahead of me were by-passed by the deer. Since there were four of us hunting we were entitled to four deer.

After about two hours I heard the hounds pick up the scent well to the south of me. They gave tongue fiercely, and it was clear they were on to something fresh. For a time they passed backward and forward across my front.

Then I heard them coming nearer. They were in full cry and no close that I guessed the deer had got past both Jamie and George.

I thumbed back the hammer of my Winchester 303. I was the only one left to fire. If the deer passed me the hounds might be gone for days in the bush.

I could see fairly well for about 100 yards to my front and less well up to about 50 yards to my right and left.

Then I heard a thrilling sound, the third of heaven at the gallop, mingled with the exultant baying of the hounds. When I saw the stag my heart leapt.

Like a Charger

It broke cover 100 yards to my left, going across the clearing like a charger. He was running with a spread of three feet of his antlers.

I struck him at full gallop and he reared. He came on turning across my front at about 30 yards. I ran out of him to keep him in view. He stopped dead, saw my red cap, and lowered his head.

As he charged me I fired again, hitting him in the right shoulder. He turned, struck, and stumbled halfheartedly away to my right.

I lost him in brush and fired twice wildly at where I thought he was. Then he reappeared, staggering, and I dropped him with my fifth shot.

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## Private Lives No. 9—Ann Todd

# THE BEAUTY HAS STAGE FRIGHT

By NORMAN PRICE

She owns more dresses than Margaret Lockwood, for she admits that clothes are her weakness. She lives in a beautiful house in Kensington.

Her proud forehead is by ancestor Hogarth. Sleek blonde hair like spun silk gleaming in the summer sunshine. She is "one of the 10 most beautiful women in the world."

This opinion belongs to celebrity painter Dick Kitchin, who did her portrait for the film "So Evil My Love." One must respect Mr. Kitchin's worldliness, since he is shrewd enough to assert no woman should be painted until she is 30 years old.

Ann Todd is older than that. She has been a West End actress for many years. A film star for five. Her tumidly lovely blue eyes search questingly into your face at first meeting.

During this reconnaissance she makes eager, unflinching conversation in a voice like husky Canterbury bells. Yet all the time one knows she is nervous. Not of anything in particular. Just nervous like a young receptionist being interviewed for a job.

She has a quarter-million pound contract with J. Arthur Rank. Beyond argument she is one of his international stars.

That does not quench the nervousness. Judge for yourself. Back to 1945. Ann Todd at the premiere of "The Seventh Veil"—her first big film. Royal in white ermine cloak. French silk gown. Her diamonds shine. She curtsies gravely to the Queen, who has come to watch the show.

Afterwards, when her Majesty wants to congratulate the new star, Ann Todd has to be fetched from the powder-room. She had been crying.

In her new film "Madeleine," she must ride a horse that bolts to the sea. Ann wears the full flowing skirt of period costume, so it needs a big horse. To suit occasion it is galloped with flared nostrils and wild eye. So it must be an emotional horse.

### Francesca Has A Formula

The Pinewood Studios property department produced an appropriately fiery animal. To ensure its comparative placidity during rehearsals a veterinary surgeon injected a box of yellow pills—nervous-soothers for horses.

But Ann's eight-year-old daughter Francesca has a formula for handling horses: "When a horse is naughty, say 'You naughty horse.' But if he has been good pat his neck and say 'That's a good horse.'"

It is difficult to convince her famous mother that any accomplishment can be quite so easy. She was only half-interested in films, played trilly little bits in "Bulldog Drummond," "Edgar Wallace's 'The Squeaker'" and "Water Gypsies"—until one day her agent said: "Let's stick to the stage, shall we, Ann? After all, your face is unphotogenic, your nose too pointed, cheekbones too big, and your hair"—he frowned at the sleekest, slickest hair in films—"is wavy dear, positively wavy!"

From that hour forward, Ann Todd concentrated on films.

Her husband, film director David Lean, in his zeal for his work he has turned himself thin, looks like a schoolmaster.

### She's Fond Of Gay Colours

He is directing Ann in "Madeleine," dramatic film version of a famous Scottish murder trial.

They reach home in the evening from the studios and most nights are glad to stay at home, before the electric fire and white sheepskin hearthrug in their long drawing-room.

The decor is startling, rain-bowish. The white sheepskin hearthrug is an oasis. It lies like a pool of white against a thick red fitted carpet. The carpet glares everywhere. It sets fire to the wide doors and corridors of every room in the beautiful mansion, except for their bedroom, where it abruptly becomes pale lilac.

The red carpet follows little Francesca into her nursery bedroom. She is as fond as her mother of bright colours. Her bedspread is patterned with attractive French Tuileries design, guarded by a red-checkered cover. Brio-a-brac rabbits, dogs, glass toys in prism colours decorate the mantelpiece.

A Vegas print of the ballet dominates the wall, with a picture of Ann Todd.

Francesca spends much of the summer at a cottage on the Cornish coast, in blue jeans and sandals, getting sunburned, riding horses, growing sturdy.

Downstairs, Ann and David will be still seated on the sofa. They talk, talk, but rarely about film work. And it's early to bed most nights because at 6-45 a.m. the telephone wakes them with the daily alarm call.

Then David Lean warns the coffee while Ann blinks toward her tiny dressing-room, about half as big as a gipsy's caravan.

It has dazzling wallpaper, blue and white stripes, meadowed with small red roses. Mirror, wash-bowl, white glass-topped shelves, bottles in cupboards tidily.

Triple-mirror, framed in light bulbs like a Pilelessly night-skin. Ann has four white wardrobes. One for dresses, suits, costumes, with appropriate shoes jostling for floor space. Behind this door is a rack for three dozen belts. Her waist is tiny. In the other wardrobes, neatly arranged, are the gowns, sports clothes and accessories which make Ann one of the best dressed women on the screen.

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### Proud Of His Gardening

Ann Todd is proud of his gardening. In three summer months he has created a neat, artistic garden of white walls and apple trees, lawn borders of tiny white alyssum and blue lobelia, with a sun-trap patch of crazy paving and virginia-creepered white wall for sun-bathing.

As the summer went by and her little garden grew more attractive, Ann Todd could no

longer resist it—she telephoned Mr. J. Arthur Rank in person, invited the boss to tea so he might be suitably impressed by David's gardening.

But at work in the studios, David Lean is a velvet-gloved taskmaster, running harassed fingers wearily through dark rumpled hair, murmuring with relentless patience: "Do it again, like this—like this."

In the shipwreck confusion of a film studio, where the only unengaged people are the carpenters, David Lean is a sure anchor against invisible tides of panic.

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He is tired, but disciplined. He sucks deeply at a cigarette, seems to smile—then sighs the grey smoke out of himself, with a scowl of absent concentration.

Secrets On The Screen

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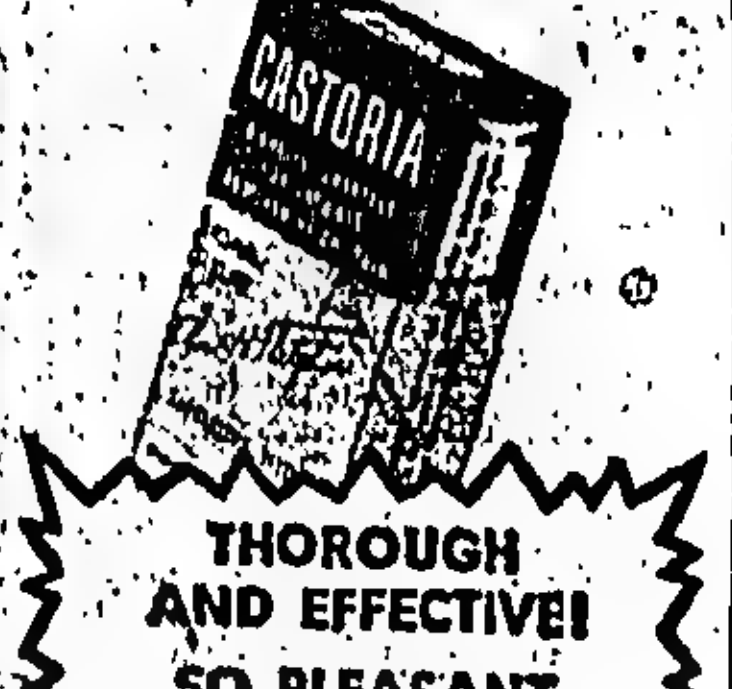
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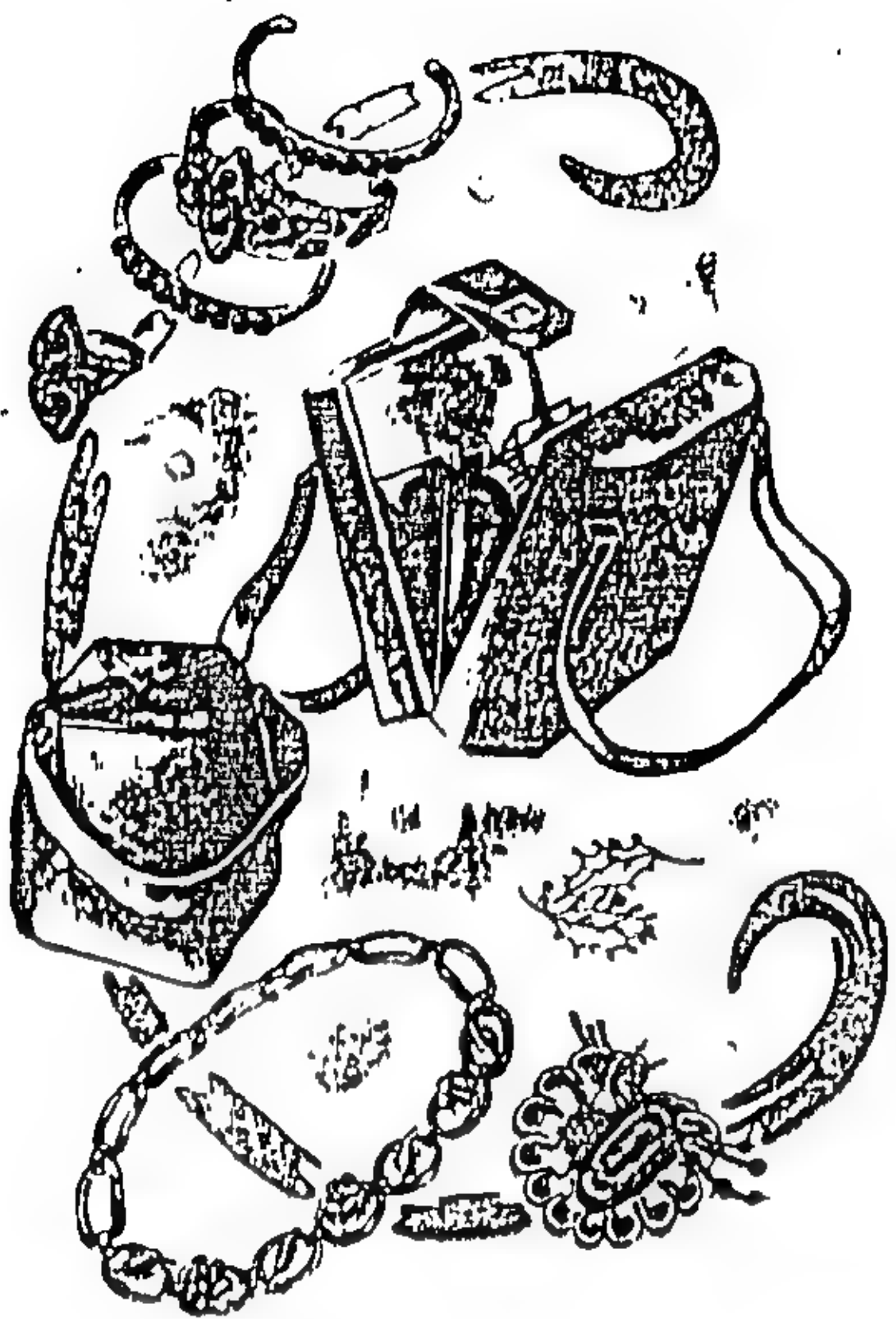
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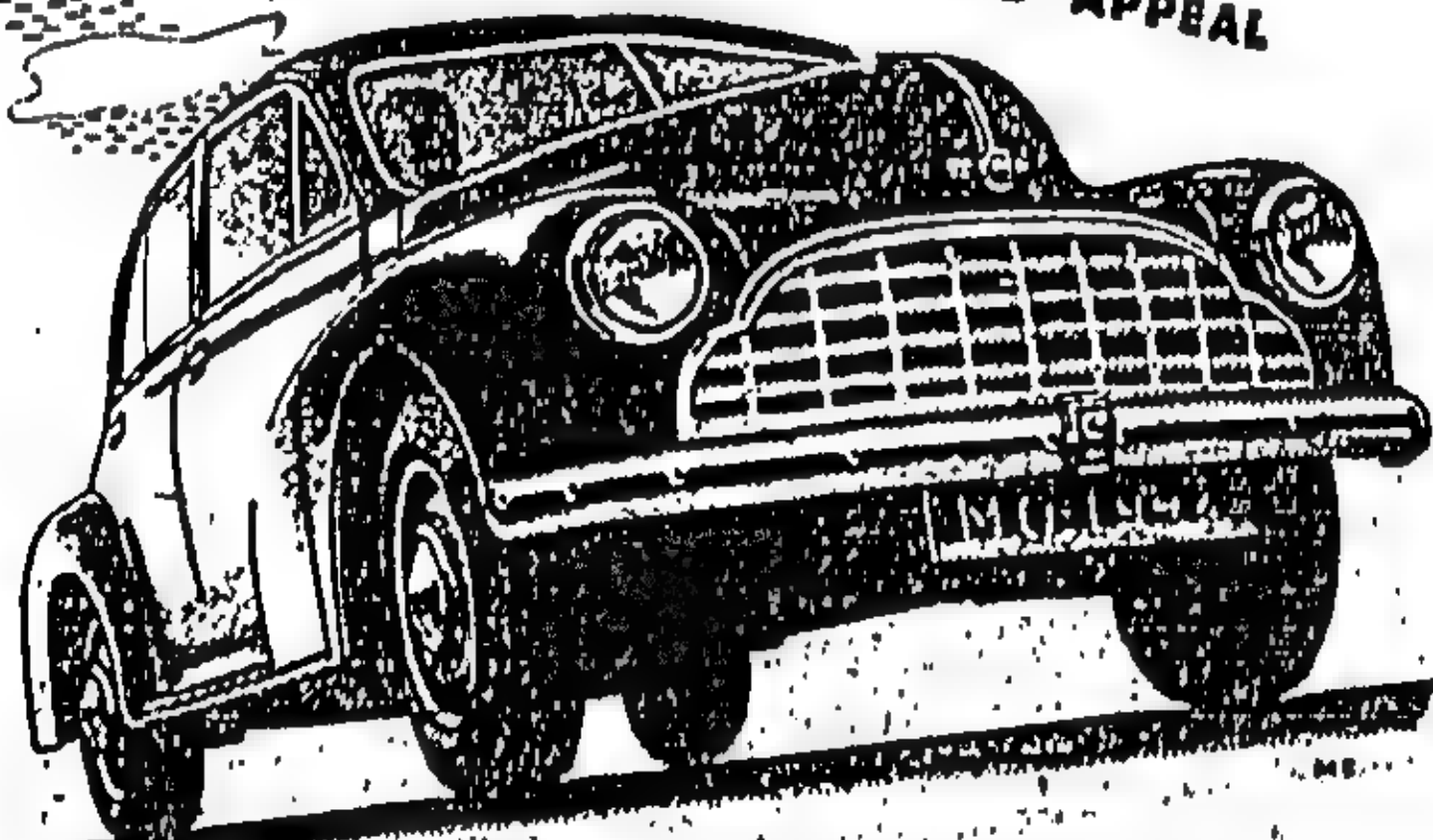
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## MOUNTING GRAVITY OF FRANCO-POLE DISPUTE

Paris, November 25.

France and Poland struck new blows today in a struggle of mounting gravity over mutual charges of espionage and reprisals against each other's citizens.

France expelled 17 Polish citizens, accusing them of spying. They were among a large number of Poles seized yesterday in police raids on main Polish organisations in this country.

Poland replied to the round-up with the warning that it is ready to take such action as it may deem right and necessary if the French do not stop such action.

In a formal note delivered to the French Ambassador in Warsaw, Jean Biehn, the Polish Government demanded the release of 11 Polish citizens who, it said, are in custody here. A Warsaw despatch reported the Polish protest just after the Interior Ministry here announced the expulsion of 17 Poles, plainly in reprisal for the arrest of a French diplomat in Poland last week and the expulsion of two others, all accused of spying.

An employee of the Polish Embassy and a member of the Polish Information Service were among those expelled. Others were executives of Polish organisations aided by the Police yesterday. The police refuse to say whether the expulsions have closed the affair. Security police hint that a sweeping crack-down on aliens from other countries of Eastern Europe may follow within a few days.

The Polish note handed to the

French Ambassador in Warsaw accused the French authorities of "brutal repression" of Polish citizens in France.

### Sabotage Activity

The Warsaw despatch quoted the note as saying, "The Polish Government protests in the most firm manner against the behaviour of the French authorities. The Polish Government awaits the immediate release of arrested Polish officials and citizens. In lieu of the same, the Government reserves the possibility of taking such steps as it may deem right and necessary."

The French Ministry of the Interior announced that documents seized revealed that the activity of the organisations was directed towards "economic and social sabotage."

"These organisations conducted a lively campaign against the Republican institutions of our country," the communiqué said. The Poles expelled were driven to the frontier in a bus last night. The official communiqué added that, in all, 24 Poles were questioned. The Ministry said that the expulsions followed inquiries at the headquarters of the organisations concerned.

These organisations were as follows: the National Polish Council; the Organisation of Poles in France; the "Gauwold" Polish Youth Association; the OPO Association (Assistance to Poland); the BHP Organisation (Polish Scouts); and the Union of Polish Women.

### Two Women

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The French Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced that M. Maurice Riviere, French Consul in Stettin, has been recalled for consultations.

A Ministry spokesman said that the recall followed the publication in two Polish newspapers of a letter purporting to be from M. Riviere and referring to M. Andre Robineau, French consular official who was arrested as he was about to board a Paris plane at Warsaw Airport, as a "Paris urchin."—United Press and Reuter.

## UN REJECTION OF SOVIET RUSSIA'S "PEACE PLAN"

Lake Success, November 25.

The United Nations rejected decisively today a Soviet Russian peace plan which carried a clause accusing the United States and Britain of preparing a third world war.

Then, by 53 votes to 5, the United Nations approved an American-British programme for peace.

The margin for the American-British proposal was the biggest the West has ever received in the U.N. on a major question.

The Russian bloc of five stood alone against it and Yugoslavia abstained.

The heart of the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Y. Vyshinsky's proposal was knocked out 41 to 9 in the 59-Nation Political Committee. Arab Yemen alone voted with the Moscow group in favour of a resolution calling on the United States, Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union to draw up a pact of peace. The first will be renewed finally in the Assembly proper, but there is no prospect of a change in the voting.

Mr. Vyshinsky's attack on Britain and America, in the first paragraph of his resolution, was beaten by 52 votes to 4, with Yemen and Yugoslavia abstaining. Some delegates interpret the Committee vote as a personal blow at Mr. Vyshinsky, who has bitterly attacked the British and Americans as preparing for a new war and then, almost in the same breath, called on them to swear to a new peace pact among the big five powers—the Soviet Union, France, Britain, the United States and China.

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### Anglo U.S. Plan

There were only three sections of the Russian resolution. Since it had been defeated paragraph by paragraph, no vote on the whole proposal was taken.

With the Soviet resolution out of the way, the Committee began a paragraph by paragraph vote on the American-British programme.

Every paragraph of the long resolution was approved by 80 votes or more, with Mr. Vyshinsky's bloc abstaining on some counts, and voting against others.

The American-British proposal amounts to re-affirmation of the UN Charter. In its key sections, it calls on UN members to take part in all of the work of the UN; to restrain use of the veto in the Security Council (where Russia has voted 41 majority decisions);

## PI "YES" TO HK CAPITAL

Manila, November 26.

President Elpidio Quirino and his Cabinet last night approved the entry of a group of Chinese businessmen from Hong Kong who want to make a survey with a view to investing in Philippine industries.

President Quirino said the Philippines would not discriminate against foreign capital as long as it is willing to obey the regulations and laws.

Recently, Philippine Consular officials reported that a large amount of Chinese capital had moved to Hong Kong for safety from the Chinese Communists who were seeking investment in the Philippines.

It was the first recorded welcome there to foreign capital, especially Chinese, since many Filipinos have expressed the fear that Chinese would have a political effect on the infant Republic.

It was stressed that Chinese investments must be in industries designed to build the Philippine economy.—Associated Press.

### AUSSIE AID FOR PI

Sydney, November 25.

The Australian Red Cross today flew the first of six tons of rice to typhoon victims in the Philippines. Another 12 tons will be shipped by boat next month.

The typhoon, which struck the Philippines on November 1, left more than 500 dead and more than 450 missing.—Associated Press.

### ATTLEE TO TAKE OVER AT FO

London, November 25.

Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, will have charge of the Foreign Office when the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, leaves tomorrow for a fortnight's holiday on the South Coast.

The Minister of State, Mr. Hector McNell, who normally deputises for Mr. Bevin, is attending the United Nations meeting at Lake Success.—Reuter.

London, November 25.

Jose Romero, newly-appointed Philippine Minister to Britain, today paid a courtesy call on the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, at the Foreign Office.—United Press.

## Extensive Floods In Cherbourg

Cherbourg, November 25. High tide, rain and Channel winds combined today to maroon several thousand Cherbourg residents in three feet of flood water.

City officials called it the gravest flood crisis here in 40 years, although no one is in immediate danger.

The main problem, said the authorities, is feeding the thousands of people living in low-lying waterfront districts who have fled to the upper stories of their homes.

The flood rose when rain fed rivers met high Channel tides and flowed into the streets. Winds near gale proportions whipped the Channel outside the city and forced more water into the inundated areas.—Associated Press.

## UNION BACKS WAGE POLICY

London, November 25.

Britain's second largest trade union, the 800,000-strong Municipal and General Workers' Union, tonight announced in support of the new Trades Union Congress policy of wage restraint.

This was the first significant reaction since the General Council of the TUC appealed to its followers last Wednesday to its for their present wages until for January 1951, unless the cost of living rose by more than five per cent.—Reuter.

Washington, November 25. Margaret Truman today scheduled reports that she might announce her engagement soon. The President's daughter made it clear at a Press conference that she preferred an operative career to romance.—United Press.

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# THE POET STARVED IN GARRET FULL OF JEWELS

By SUPT. ROBERT FABIAN

The thief crouched among shadows, his pockets bulging with stolen jewels. His heart throbbed like a septic thumb.

It was August 25, 1933. Distastefully, Big Ben struck 2 a.m. The thief was in one of the top galleries of the old National Geological Museum in Jermyn street, London.

Two elderly night watchmen moved among the great vaulted pillars of the museum's main chamber. They had heard a movement and were moving suspiciously unsee.

One showcase contained nearly two hundred precious stones. Uncut diamonds like yellow pebbles, sapphires, emeralds, opals, zircons, knobs of crude gold, rough nuggets veined with platinum.

To the museum's learned scientists they had no deeper interest than the iron pyrites or chalky bauxite in nearby cabinets along the galleries.

But their lure had tempted a thief. And now the stolen treasures bulged his pockets like a boy's hoard of marbles, clinked as he hurried on hands and knees from one shadow to another.

At last the watchmen descended the stairways, stood talking in the main hall, vast as a train shed. Their voices echoed blurredly among the high galleries. Then the lights clicked out, one after another. Now only dusty moonlight slanted through the tall, thin, cathedral-like windows, picking out crags of moulded stone squinting like mute giants in a lunar world.

The thief stretched behind knees. The thief stretched behind knees.

The Thief Took 100 Gems

It was a beautiful, hazy summer day as I walked next morning into Marylebone police head quarters. The station sergeant looked up amiably. Suddenly the teleprinter clattered.

The sergeant stretched over, ripped off the message, passed it over.

"Big jewel robbery at the Geological Museum," he said. "And apparently not a clue."

The teleprinter clattered again, listing the stolen stones: diamonds, opals, sapphires, beryls, zircons, gold nuggets, gem tourmalines, chrysoprase, about a hundred stones.

Nobody had seen the thief enter or leave the museum. It was not until daylight that cleaners noted the jeweller's show case, saw how its locks had been neatly snapped off, its contents pilaged.

Weeks passed. No clues were found. It seemed an expert job. So Yard men had been closely

"For any particular zing you was looking, earl?" asked Amsterdam Hans with false joviality.

I Got The Tip-Off

"I want to buy some cheap uncut precious stones," I said. He relaxed. "Ah, so?"

"Or some half-cut ones," I added, thoughtfully. Hans gulped his drink. Dutch, that other plump little lapidary, wiped hands that had begun to sweat, and after a moment excused himself and trotted away.

"I suppose the best place to buy them would be from a South African—somebody who'd picked

men at Baywater as they began to assemble outside the local Labour Exchange. It was mine. An unshaven face rising above a frayed collar.

Across the road waited that skilful shadower, Detective-Sergeant George Keen.

The queue shuffled nearer the counter. Each time it came close to my turn, I slipped away and rejoined the tail. I was waiting for the South African—described by the little mark as being about 33 years old, with darkish skin, a mop of black hair "like a porcupine's mullet," and a once-good, now threadbare blue suit.

Then I saw him. He came up to the queue absorbed in a book. He didn't look up as I slipped into place just behind him. I peeped over his shoulder. He was reading the poems of Omar Khayyam.

His swarthy face was studious and half-starved. I was puzzled. He did not look like a professional thief.

The shabby procession inched wearily up to the counter. As he signed for his dole I peered over his shoulder again, glimpsed and remembered his name and address.

I did not follow the South African. From my eye-corner I could see George Keen moving off on his tail. I knew that wherever the man went, thither would George go.

The 'Chairs' Were Orange-Boxes

The address I had memorised was in a shabby district. I had left a suitcase of more respectable clothes in a public lavatory. I washed hastily, scrubbed my nails, changed thankfully into a crisp shirt and clean suit, polished up my shoes.

Then I hurried to the house. The door was answered by a pale, worried little woman, her thin arms sagging under the weight of a young child.

I raised my hat. "Is this the house where you've been having trouble with damp walls, madam?" I asked.

She showed me in. Bare wooden floors. The curtains were sacks and brown paper. The solitary table had been mended with bits of firewood. The chairs were orange boxes, spread with newspaper. A rickety old wardrobe stood in a corner. It had no door.

There were no clothes in it, not even a spare frock or a coat. And it was October.

In another orange box propped against the wall were three chipped cups, a couple of plates, a knife, two forks and a few spoons. A loaf of bread and some margarine in paper, a small packet of tea and a little blue sugar bag.

This the home of a man who had stolen nearly a hundred precious jewels? It did not look like it. But I pulled one of the orange boxes towards the shabby wardrobe and climbed up within.

The woman stood, equally silent, and watched me, still holding her baby.

The child began to cry softly. She stopped to comfort it. I ran my fingers along the top of the wardrobe. There was a piece of cretonne. It seemed to have little pebbly bumps under it.

"I'm sorry," I said "but I am a detective and I have reason to believe these are the jewels stolen from the Geological Museum."

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## BRITAIN'S FUTURE KING

Prince Charles, the child who will one day wear the Crown of England and who celebrated his first birthday earlier in the month, has thrown off his affectionate but undefined identity as a "baby" and has emerged as a personality in his own right.

Good going for any one-year-old, and Prince Charles seemed to have it from the start—an innate ability to be just the happy, normal and entirely lovable child Britons hoped and expected him to be. The pattern of his small, uneventful life is a happy one, warm in affection.

The little lad has boisterous energy, and a general tendency to make a fine old noise in keeping with his essentially masculine appearance. He is a proper boy. His parents both took a firm view about Little Lord Fauntleroy curls, and as soon as his thick hair began to grow long he was given a boy cut, well-trimmed from his brow.

He is reported to be "a good baby" and he sleeps well. Like most modern children, he was given semi-solids to supplement his milk diet when he was only a few months old, and now he has well-varied meals of fruit, cereal, vegetables and plenty of milk and fruit juice. The Princess sees that the orange juice and vitamins supplied on his green ration book are collected.

With the King's illness and the additional public duties it has meant for her, Princess Elizabeth has had to be away from her home many times during her baby's first year, but nearly all her spare time is spent with him.

Almost every fine afternoon the smallest of Royal entourage can be seen leaving Clarence House and making its way, at its own leisurely pace, towards Green Park in the heart of London.

It consists of two soberly uniformed nurses, a detective, a shaggy white terrier, a flower-haired little boy who is Prince Richard of Gloucester, and, in his high, open pram, Prince Charles.

The Londoners, the elderly housekeepers and club retainers who work in this area, pause just a moment, look back, smile and then move on about their business. No need to stare: after all, they've seen Royal babies going to the Park for two generations now. His mother did. Let the little fellow have his own life while he can.

He wears little white buster suits, light slippers and plain, serviceable woollies, usually in white.

His high-buttoned cardigan is now a best-seller, with mothers in America, where they call it "Prince Charles's lumber jacket."

For his outing in the park he has given up woollies, and has a new double-breasted winter coat in fine white velour. He also has a furry white rug on his pram for colder days, but so far he has not worn a hat.

Although it is naturally too early to say whether he has a liking for music, radio music certainly amuses him, and sometimes he does little jiggling movements when he is listening to it. Recently Princess Elizabeth said she attended her first children's

concert at the age of six. She thought Prince Charles might start when he is five.

He is fascinated by the band at military parades and likes to watch the soldiers in their bright uniforms. Another colourful, though mundane thing invariably holds his attention: the ordinary red London omnibus. He likes to get as near to a main road as



PRINCE CHARLES

possible in order to watch them going by.

It is, of course, somewhat early for his parents to plan his education; since a certain amount might well depend upon any inclinations he may show as to a career for his early manhood years. If he should show any liking for the sea it would certainly please his father and grandfather. But it looks as though, at the moment, if he were asked, he might say he would like to be a bus driver.

He will almost certainly attend a school where he will have to mix with other boys and hold his own in the rough-and-tumble of school life. Because of this his parents are determined that he shall grow into a normal, unpretentious boy, unspoiled by too much limelight. He will never be asked to do anything which an ordinary child of similar age might not reasonably be expected to do.

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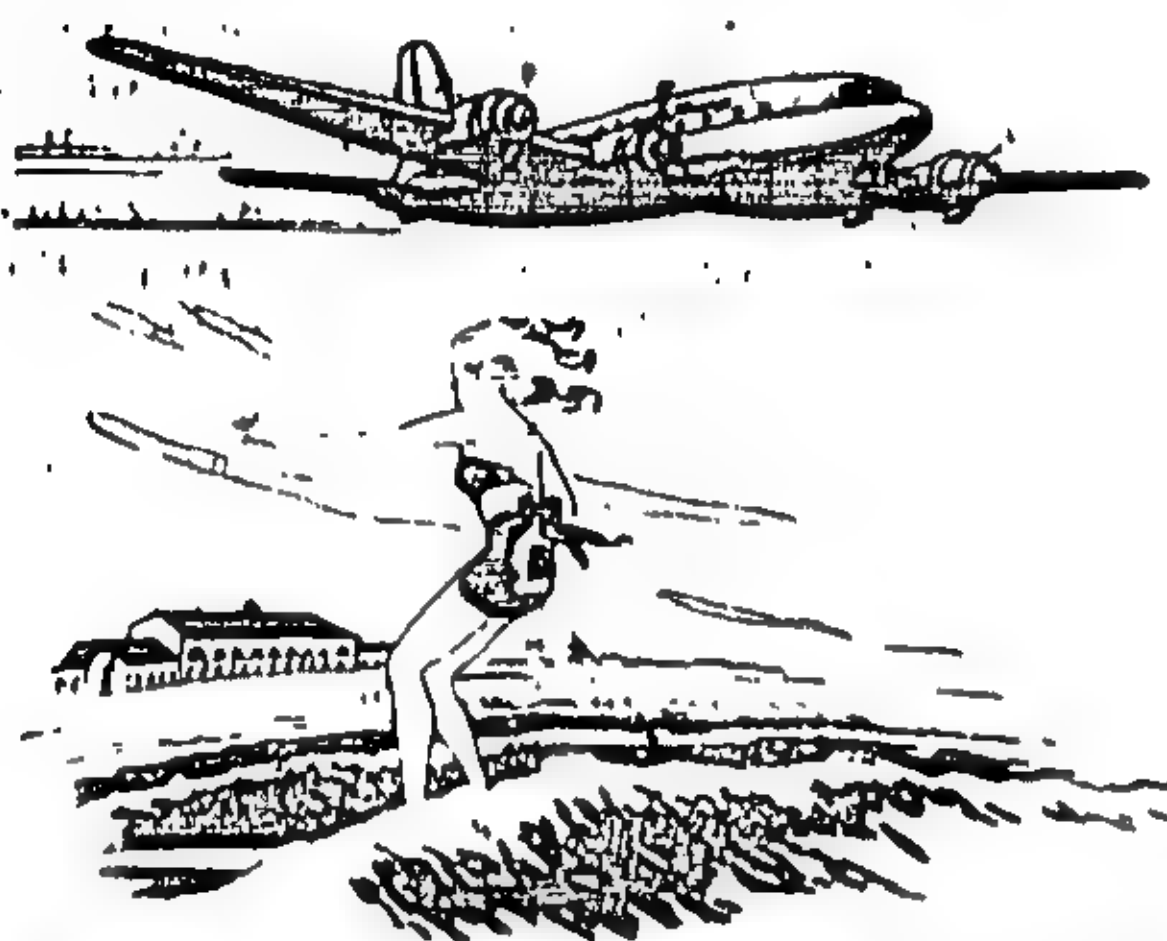
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## THE SHADOW PLAY

The United Nations has done far more practical work than the organisation is ever given credit for. It has been even more productive than the old League of Nations. Too much else has happened, and is still happening, to make an inquest on the past in China of any real use. It was perhaps necessary, merely as counter-propaganda, to show that the Russian pot was at least as black as the much-abused American kettle.

The Americans gave great aid to the Nationalists, and not necessarily because they were just that but because they were the recognised Government, and an ally in the war. The Americans would have been much happier if they had succeeded in mediating and bring the two rival Parties together in a really solid, united Government. But the Russians also made it possible for the Communists to take over vast quantities of Japanese arms and equipment. They hardly needed to make much use of them in order to acquire, in due course, most of the equipment supplied to the Nationalists by the United States.

It was also necessary no doubt, just to keep the balance even and the record straight, to bring up Russian indifference, or worse, to the Treaty of Friendship signed with the Nationalist Government of China in 1945. That Government is passing out of history pathetically and ignominiously. Yet, though it was dismissed so insultingly by Mr. Vyshinsky, it was the Government which the Soviet Embassy followed, even in its extremity, to Canton only a few months ago.

Many will feel about the Kuomintang as a whole very much as Carlyle felt about the Girondins. The general body of the Party, in the early days of the Nationalist Revolution at least, were "men of parts, of decent behaviour." In their time they represented a tide in China's affairs no less important than the present. They stood first and last for Nationalism and the destruction of special rights and concessions. The other two principles they talked about but never put into practice. There was no real democracy in China under the Kuomintang or even within the Party. We have yet to see how much there will be under the Communists, and on this scepticism will probably be wise.

It is the third principle, that of the livelihood of the people, by which the Communists will be judged in the event and at the bar of destiny. If they are to make any real headway in the tremendous task of raising the standards of livelihood in China they will have to concentrate upon it to the exclusion of all else. It will make them or break them.

The Nationalists had no easy task in fulfilling their part. But it was child's play to remove the special privileges of foreigners, compared with the immense practical effort required to discharge the task of lifting so vast a people out of the narrow margin of subsistence which has been their lot for so long. The more the new rulers really try to do it, the more will they be entitled to the sympathy of others. But the fall of the Nationalists is a reminder once more that the movement in China is greater than Parties. The Kuomintang was once all-powerful. It goes out with hardly a whimper at home. It stood for "Nationalism" and "little more, and that phrase has

## British Foreign Policy

By Sir DUFF  
COOPER

It is one of the soundest traditions in English public life that the basis of foreign policy should not form a subject of party controversy.

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This tradition has been honourably observed by the Opposition under the present Administration. With regard to the main lines of British foreign policy, as enunciated by Government spokesmen, there is little difference of opinion.

## Respect Abroad

The personality of the Foreign Secretary is one that commands respect, both at home and abroad. He exercises great influence in his own party, and the Opposition would sooner see him than any of his colleagues occupying his present position.

It is felt that not only is his outlook broad and sane, but also that he is of a stature that permits him to play his part with dignity on the great stage of European and World affairs.

When the present Government took office, more than four years ago, it may be assumed that its policy had the closest relations, with the United States; secondly, to get rid of those misunderstandings which were beginning to arise between ourselves and Russia; thirdly, to work for more effective collaboration between all the Powers of Europe. And this policy had the general approval of all parties.

In the first of these objectives they have been hampered from the beginning by the programme to which they were committed. For most Americans Socialism is almost as detestable as Communism is for most Englishmen, and a nation of business men find it hard to understand why a country that has got to recapture its markets, increase its production, and reduce its costs should adopt a policy of nationalisation which must increase its difficulties in all these directions.

Devaluation, which the most distinguished living Socialist, Mr. Bernard Shaw, has recently described in these columns as a policy of blinding, has shaken confidence in Great Britain throughout the world, but nowhere so much as in the United States.

With regard to the second objective, it is notorious that since the Labour Party were returned to power Anglo-Soviet relations have steadily deteriorated. They could now hardly be worse without open rupture.

## But Not To Blame

This is not to say that the British Government are to blame. Nor have they ever been blamed

by the Opposition although both Government and Opposition are well aware that had their roles been reversed, had the Conservatives been in office while our relations with Russia had deteriorated to this extent, the

whole blame would have been laid by the Labour Opposition on the Conservative Government.

If the Socialism of our Government made it difficult for us to co-operate with the Americans, and if the Communism of the Russian Government made it difficult for them to co-operate with us, it should surely have appeared plain that our future lay in Europe.

In 1945 there lay in ruins the shattered fragments of those nations that had made such a field of potential reconstruction and development present itself.

## Alluring Chance

To a true statesman the prospect should have seemed alluring as a huge block of marble would appear to a great sculptor. And to Great Britain belonged, as of right, the leadership in the mighty task that awaited Europe.

As the only Power which had entered the war voluntarily at the beginning and remained undefeated until the end, her prestige stood highest, and it was inevitable that the eyes of Europe should turn towards her, looking for leadership. It was an opportunity that comes once in a 100 years. It was an opportunity that has been missed.

Mr. Bevin saw it. He began well. Early in 1947 he signed a Treaty of Alliance with France.

In the summer of the following year he concluded a Five Power Pact which brought the Benelux countries into the picture.

The hopes of those who believed in Europe rose. This was the right thing to do, and this was the right way to do it. Here in North West Europe, just where it should be, was being laid the corner-stone of the temple.

But nothing has come of it. One of those who were concerned with the Treaty of Dunkirk said at the time that it was the end of a chapter. It meant nothing, but that it was the beginning of a new chapter, pregnant with possibilities, its importance might be immense.

A Customs union, a common coinage, a colonial fusion—these were the kind of dreams that then occupied the minds of men who were not young idealists but practical, experienced politicians.

## Thoughts On Defence

By SCRUTATOR

The House of Lords is at its best in debating national questions, like defence, where discussion is not hampered, as in the Commons, by party considerations, and where experts from many fields can contribute.

Lord Templewood, who initiated the debate, was many years ago a very active and enterprising Air Minister, and he naturally threw the Air Force into the foreground. But the main question affect, in varying degrees, all three defence Services.

One of these is expense. The defence Services are costing Britain now more than they ever have before in time of peace; and at a moment when the cost of government as a whole is oppressively high, financial vigilance can certainly not be deprecated. The qualities of fighting and thrift seldom go together, and the Services, unless watched, are prone to waste both man-power and money.

But to say that is not to justify any retrenchment that conflicts with security. The danger is that the Services are spending a great deal of money on a presumption that it is too much. There are three perfectly good reasons why they are costly.

One is the depreciation of our money, which swells the nation's debt. Another is the mechanisation of all our Services, in which every new gadget is a new cost and very few tend to lessen previous expenses. The third is that we are engaged in a cold war with a Great Power, which may force

passed, though there is plenty of Nationalism. If not imperialism—among its successors, Democracy won't come till the Communists go, but in the meantime they are committed to the economic betterment of the nation. That is what the people expect of them—that is the task they profess above all others. They may have to alter a great many of their own ideas, and many things, on this hard road. But above all they will have to avoid the seduction of easy bypaths, such as anti-foreignism or isolationism.

a hot war on us at any time. For this we ought to be more prepared than we are; but even our present inadequate degree of preparation has meant heavy expenditure.

In the 19th century, when the British Navy ruled the seas and the military Powers of the Cam-

pan were normally to some extent balanced, the doctrine was often preached, and sometimes practised, that defence expenditure, and so, if you retrenched on other things, you ought correspondingly to retrench on this. But, as soon as an aggressor comes on the scene, that doctrine is rendered obsolete.

We cannot afford to haggle about strength; we must be strong enough to deter him. Defence, as Adam Smith said, is more than expenditure. Two things ought to have taught us the lesson.

The other question is that of compulsory service. Here again the principle is obvious. It has been cogent. In the first we did not introduce compulsion till we were half-way through; it was an enormous advantage in the second that we had it from the outset. But it is still a greater advantage to have it continuously during peace. For only so can a regular promotion be decreed between first-line troops, second-line troops and reserves.

## The Regulars' Task

At present we have peace-time compulsion, but there are complaints about its working. Navy, Army and Air Force can all draw on it; but so far, as they need a permanent personnel they must also recruit long-service professionals on a voluntary basis.

The Navy, which requires the professionals, is the most successful in obtaining them. The R.A.F. does not get anything like enough; and of 20,000 men 90,000, according to Lord Templewood, are National Servicemen, who do not stay long enough to learn the advanced skills. The Army's voluntary recruiting is also inadequate. The Regulars have three main tasks: (1) to train the National Servicemen; (2) to provide the framework for the whole Army; (3) to constitute special units for employment either outside Europe or in shock troops.

Nothing has come of it—except, that nothing.

## Never So Cool

It was then arranged that Anglo-French financial experts should meet at regular intervals to discuss difficulties and to work towards the closer integration of the two economies. Even this little crumb of comfort has been swept away, and a very high French official volunteered recently the opinion that Anglo-French relations had never, since the war, been so "cool" as they are today.

When asked whether this was due to the British failure to form the French of their intention to devalue, he replied that that was only the last of a series of rebuffs.

If our relations with France are cool, they are very much cooler with Italy, where, it seems, we have been forced to complain of the vilipendation with which we are assailed in the Press. Meanwhile, with regard to Spain, which Ministers appear to have forgotten, still forms an important part of this small continent. We continue to pursue a policy which is enough to make a sulk schoolboy blush.

The Spanish people may be delighted by General Franco, but they certainly will not be delighted by Mr. Bevin. There remains one other item in the indictment. During the present Administration a new State has come into being. The Balfour Declaration was the birth certificate of the State of Israel. The one country that failed to welcome its coming-of-age was Great Britain.

## Thrown Away

Another opportunity has been recklessly thrown away, and the fact that the British are the least loved of all foreigners in Israel today is the greatest tragedy that has happened since the war.

Great Britain can never regain the position she once occupied, which was due to causes that no longer exist. But she has been offered another chance.

As the leader of a United Europe and Africa she could still become one of the greatest Powers in the world. But at every step that has been made towards the unification of Europe the British have raised difficulties, so that by the other European Powers Great Britain is now regarded, rightly or wrongly, not as their potential leader, but as a permanent stumbling-block.

It is a sad story of efforts wasted, hopes disappointed, chances missed. I have tried to tell it without bias and to abstain from apportioning blame. The Foreign Secretary is a statesman whom I respect as I do some of his colleagues. But I have here recorded what has happened in British foreign policy during the past four years—and the record is appalling.

They are not numerous enough to do all that, and the present reaction to this of many Regular officers is to resent their employment on (1) as interfering with their availability for (2). The deduction is that, if National Servicemen were abolished or reduced, all or half the Regulars employed in training them could increase our professional Army.

For damage done remains some such scheme might be accepted, but the solid arguments against it are overwhelming. First, its effect upon our Continental Allies—French, Belgians and Dutch—would be catastrophic. Second, it would give us a much smaller "straw man" than we are needing is a larger one. Third, it would give us a defence Army, just when what the taxpayer wants is a cheaper one. Fourth, there is no ground for thinking that Regular recruiting would be improved under a system which would greatly reduce the Regulars' chance of promotion.

Fifth (and this is possibly the weightiest point of all), where are the reserves? The provision of reserves is always the Achilles heel of professional armies. Our present system, which is intended to shorten service with the colours, but that discourages recruiting. The idea of using the Territorials as Army reserves, instead of in their original role as a second-line Army, has certainly not "caught on" to judge from the Territorial figures.

The next reason why National Service disappoints is that the men serve for 18 months only instead of two years. The change was political; it was a surrender by the Government to its backbenchers. Its effect is to reduce the proportion of the soldier's (or airman's) time during which he is an asset and not a trainee.

At present he cannot give an adequate return for the labour of training him. If that fatal error could be reversed we should soon have enough efficient National Service divisions (each with a Regular framework) to dispense almost entirely with separate Regular units. Having a better job probably recruit better; but, even if they did not, the same number spread out over efficient National Servicemen would go much further.

The "training" of National Servicemen should cease; and we should soon have a trained Army considerably larger than at present, yet proportionately much cheaper. That is what we require.

## Forgotten Army

By SELBY BRADFORD

For about 18 months now well over a division of British troops have been fighting a war as strenuous and as nerve-racking as many a North West Frontier campaign of the old days.

They are the units of that mixed force which has found its way in troopship or by air to Singapore.

Officially their title is the British Forces in Malaya.

Actually they call themselves "The Great Unknown," for the place of publicity has been withheld from them, even as it was withheld for so long from the Forgotten Army—the 14th—whose name is linked now for ever with Burma.

And yet I doubt if even the fighting in Burma could have produced anything much worse in the nature of discomfort, sustained apprehension, and the perils of ever-present danger in lonely, dark places than is the regular lot of this miniature British Army.

## Price In Lives

It is only when you look up their casualty lists that you realise that "Malay 48-49" may, too, become a battle honour, for a score or six of regiments or corps.

In less than a year and a half 17 officers have been killed and six wounded; losses among other ranks are, or were in mid-October, 88 killed and 108 wounded.

In return, 870 bandits, Communist trained and disciplined, are known to have been killed and 600 captured.

It is not the figures themselves that make one think; it is the knowledge that almost every action has been fought in the loneliness of jungle warfare.

Nature, with her protective screen of swamps, leeches, insects, and venom, her impenetrable undergrowth through which every yard forward must be cut by machete, and her fever and tempestuous climate, provides the barbed wire, the Teller mines, and the booby-traps of this form of "deserted" warfare.

## Unseen Enemy

And always supporting nature is a climate so moist in heat that at a daily average temperature of 85deg. the human body, however fit, pours out sweat like an oil gusher.

Beyond everything, too, is the knowledge that at any moment, anywhere, in the reasoned safety of a battalion's "peace-time" station, or at the most outward outpost of a patrol's penetration, death or mutilation may come to you from an unseen hand or an unknown weapon.

It is not, moreover, as if this minor war was being waged against the decency of those campaigns of early Burma days.

It is being conducted against a very virile, well-trained and tutored army infiltrated into a country comparable in size to England, and disciplined, led, and controlled by a supreme Communist headquarters.

Their intelligence is first rate, their hardness and their courage, certainly of those who are indoctrinated Communists, are as fanatical as those of the followers of the Mahdi.

## Back They Go

Today, thanks to the phlegm and the unwavering purpose of British, Malayan, and Gurkha soldiers, they are slowly being driven back to the Malayan border, while their essential milita-

ry supplies, such as ammunition, are falling short.

A few weeks ago the 3rd Battalion of the Grenadier Guards came back to London after a year's service in Malaya. Except for wives and families, there were not enough to meet them; no demonstrative welcome.

But all of them had done at least four months of solid patrolling through areas as big as Norfolk or Suffolk, had lived mainly on rice for that time, swallowed little but swamp water made drinkable by decontamination tablets, and had burnt a dozen or so leeches off their limbs daily.

## First-Hand Story

In the words of one of them: "No matter who he is, the man on patrol finds the jungle hard going. The creepers, strong and flexible, trip him. If his patience fails, he is pushed forward quickly, he is at once gripped by long, thin thorns. Apart from these annoyances, he has to contend with darkness and bees. Their nests are never seen until it is too late."

"Hornets may sting, but at least they do not fasten themselves to the skin like leeches and centipedes. Red ants are easy to deal with, but they fall from the trees in tens of hundreds and they bite when they land."

"Finally, there is the need for observation. Bandits are hardly products of nature as are leeches. But they need attention 24 hours of the day."

In the words of another: "If you are asking about wounded, take a patrol by the Colaba road, a spot of trouble. The leading scout was wounded in the chest, but the bullet was deflected by a rib and did not do much damage. The M.O. was with that patrol—penicillin and plasma were dropped by air—and after a few days the wounded man was able to finish the course on his feet in what was said officially to be a very creditable effort on his part."

And that is happening all the time. To seven or eight British Infantry regiments, to the Gurkha and Malaya regiments, to the members of every corps in the Service, not forgetting those very gallant comforters of the sick—spiritual and physical—the Army chaplains of all denominations.

## In The Vain

It is worthy of record that on one of the most valiant and lost of all patrols undertaken by the Grenadiers a certain chaplain, he would, I believe, excommunicate me were I to mention his name, was in the van all the time. His presence forward, when you consider it carefully, was very necessary.

An author who was a soldier and had fought in Burma in the 80's wrote in the early days of this century:

"There are English graves at Telumyo. The rough wooden crosses are hidden in the tangled growth of grass and briar, and the rudely carved inscriptions are moss-grown and hard to read. All over Upper Burma they are scattered, these graves of Englishmen who lived and fought and died a very few short years ago, but are already long forgotten."

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# NATIONALIST APPEAL TO UNITED NATIONS

## Non-Recognition And Blockade Requested VYSHINSKY WALKS OUT

Lake Success, November 25.

Nationalist China asked the United Nations today to blockade Communist China both militarily and economically. It also appealed to U.N. member states to refrain from establishing diplomatic relations with the Communist regime.

Dr. Tingfu F. Tsang, chief spokesman for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at the UN, urged the world organisation to condemn Russia for aiding the Communist government of Mao Tse-tung based in Peking. The Nationalist spokesman made his appeal in a 17,000-word speech before the General Assembly's 59-Nation Political Committee after Russia's Andrei Y. Vyshinsky had announced that his delegation would not take part in the debate.

Prime Minister Stalin's Foreign Minister walked out of the Committee room but left the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Jakob A. Malik, behind to serve as acting head of the Soviet delegation. Mr. Vyshinsky told the Assembly on Wednesday that Moscow no longer recognises the Nationalist delegation as the legal spokesman for China at the UN.

When the Committee began deliberation of Nationalist proposals that Russia had asked the Chinese Communists, Mr. Vyshinsky demanded the floor on a point of order. He said the Nationalist case was provocative, hinted that Generalissimo Chiang's regime might not last more than a few days and said the Soviet delegation would not take part in a "puppet comedy" debate.

Mr. Vyshinsky declared that the Chinese item on the agenda was merely a piece of "Kuomintang pettifoggery" and beneath the dignity of the United Nations. For these reasons, the Soviet delegation would not take part in a discussion of this item and would not regard as "binding" any decision made by the Committee.

One by one Russia's satellite colleagues followed Mr. Vyshinsky's lead. First the Soviet Union, then Poland, White Russia and Czechoslovakia took the floor to remove themselves from the debate on China. Yugoslavia, now at political odds with Moscow, declared the Chiang regime had lost the right to represent the Chinese people.

Mr. Vyshinsky strode from the UN building by a side entrance while his car awaited him. He said he was going home to rest. Two other Foreign Ministers—Vladimir Clementis of Czechoslovakia and Dmitri Z. Manulsky of the Ukraine—also left the Committee chamber, as did Stefan Wierbowski, Chairman of the Polish delegation.

### Three-Point Appeal

All the Soviet bloc delegations served notice that they would not accept any Assembly decision on China while the Nationalist delegates retain their seats. All these Moscow-led countries also have formally supported a Chinese

Communist memorandum demanding the expulsion of the Nationalist delegation here. After the flare-up by the Soviet delegations, the Committee Chairman, Mr. Lester B. Pearson, declared that Mr. Vyshinsky and his colleagues were out of order in refusing to let the "Kuomintang" delegation of China. As far as UN credentials are concerned, he said, it is simply the delegation of China.

Dr. Tsang then launched into a 40-page text in which he set forth a three-point appeal to UN member countries.

Generalissimo Chiang's spokesman also asked the UN to support the Nationalist cause by saying to the anti-Communist fighters in China, "We are with you."

In one appendix to his lengthy speech, the Nationalist delegate recalled that in June, 1946, his Government had complained to Moscow about "485 outstanding cases of Soviet atrocities in Manchuria" after the Red Army entered that region in August, 1945. The 1946 complaint said, "The Soviet Army was guilty of looting the people of their private properties, and committing wanton murders and rapes."

### Cost Of Aid

Dr. Tsang told the Committee that although he did not begrudge the American aid to European nations, China received less than some countries during the period of August, 1947, to March, 1949. Furthermore, Dr. Tsang said, "dollar for dollar, China obtained, in fact, less benefit than the European nations because a higher price was charged China."

"For example, China had to pay \$51 for each American rifle whereas the Atlantic part nations were charged only 10 per cent of the price, that is, only \$5.10 for that same American rifle."

Dr. Tsang began by saying that the present danger in China and the Far East "is in very large measure due to persistent acts of commission and omission on the part of the Soviet Union in violation of the various treaties and agreements pertaining to China and the Far East, and also in violating the underlying principles and major provisions of the Charter of the United Nations."

He said the government of China, upon representation from the United States, negotiated a treaty of friendship and alliance

between China and the Soviet Union to maintain solidarity among the Allies in prosecuting the war against Japan.

### Participation In China War

"During the four years, during which the treaty and agreements were in force, the Soviet Union did not see fit to honour any of these treaty provisions," he said.

"On the contrary, she took measures which are entirely contrary to, and inconsistent with, such provisions."

Dr. Tsang said that in addition to assisting the Chinese Communists in training military personnel both in China and in the Soviet Union and in ordering the Japanese and Korean forces to fight for the Chinese Communists, the Soviet Government actually permitted its own military forces to engage in the operational activities of the Chinese Communists.

The Nationalist spokesman charged that the Soviet Union fostered the growth and expansion of the Chinese Communist party. This is imperialism in all its nakedness," Dr. Tsang said.

"It is an immoral and cynical programme of aggression. It is a flagrant violation of the territorial integrity and political independence of a member state of the United Nations, and therefore is a violation of the Charter of the United Nations."

The Nationalist delegate said the extension of Communist control in China has meant the simultaneous extension of the iron curtain to China. Associated Press.

## GERMAN DEFENCE PROBLEM

London, November 25. The problem of German defence and of German aspirations can be solved only by the creation of a Council of European defence, the weekly review "Economist" declared today.

"There is no doubt that most of the world would regard a restoration of German armed might as repugnant and disastrous," the paper wrote.

But Germany was "the inevitable area of any possible dispute between East and West" and could not be neutralised or left as a strategic vacuum.

"Germany must, therefore, be defended. Indeed it is in Germany that the defence of the West must begin and that it might fatally end. This being so, it is impossible indefinitely to postpone the crucial question of who is to do the defending of Germany."

The "Economist" added: "The restoration of an autonomous German army would be on every score politically disastrous. Events, on the other hand, if they continue to follow their present course, make it practically certain that the pressure to revive German army will at some point prove irresistible."

"If, however, the German contribution to defence took the form, not of a separate national army, but of the inclusion of German manpower in a European defence system in which the determination of policy were no longer in the hands of individual States but in a Council of European Defence, and if, in turn, this European force is working in closest alliance with the United States, the safeguard against the revival of German militarism should be sufficient to quieten Europe's legitimate fears."

The "Economist" thought there was a good chance of a sufficient pooling of sovereignty to make the new defence system a genuinely international body and that the new army "a really integrated force."—Router.

## Yugoslavia Releasing Conscripts

Belgrade, November 25. Press reports here today indicated that the Yugoslav Army is releasing conscripts held in the services two months over their time because of the tense situation on the border this summer. Groups of young men carrying wooden kit boxes have appeared in Belgrade streets, presumably on their way to demobilisation centres. Men of the 1928 class are believed to be affected. Router.

## The Poet Starved In Garret Full Of Jewels

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She stroke the child's dark hair. "There are some more in a little box behind the sideboard," she said. Her hand gestured towards the orange-box against the wall. That was the "sideboard."

### First, I Bought Them A Meal

I pulled it away, found a box containing some pins, buttons, a bit of soap, some nail strings, and about dozen of the loose uncut stones, sapphires, chrysoprase, opals, diamonds.

"All right," I said, "we'll wait until your husband comes in." Then I held out my arms. "Here, give me the baby. Take this money and buy some food. It—well, it doesn't need a detective to see you're hungry."

When her husband came home, a little later (almost immediately followed by Detective-Sergeant Keen, whom the man noticed for the first time only as he followed across the threshold) we had managed to get a fire burning. The table was spread with cooked meats, jam, fresh bread, cakes and sugar, baby foods. The woman ran to her husband, tears glistening in her eyes.

I cautioned the man, "What did you do with the other stones?" I asked. He shrugged his shoulders, his mouth filled with meat, bread and butter. Even the disaster of arrest was forgotten in the joy of eating real food.

### £200 Gems Sold For 2s

"I sold them," he said finally. "For only a shilling or two each," his eyes darkened. "They wouldn't give me any more."

Behind the gas-rings I found a bit of partly-burned paper. It was the address of a West End dealer in precious stones. In this prosperous gentleman's lapidary room were found many of the missing stones—and the flabbergasted face of Amsterdam Hans, who was busily cutting a "bagel" from one of the diamond crystals.

I picked it up admiringly. It was a beautiful bit of craftsmanship. "Seriously, Hans—how much is that stone worth?" The lapidary waved a plump hand. "Gupples of 'undred pounds," he sighed.

I weighed it in my hand. "And you got it for about two shillings?"

Hans and the jeweller had the grace to blush. For them it had merely been smart business, buying what they thought were uncut stones smuggled out of the Rand. This was the story the thief had told, to sell his stones, and even then he had found it difficult to dispose of them.

Though he possessed a miniature Aladdin's Cave in his shabby home, it had been worth no more than a few meagre shillings to him. The jewellers saw to that! He had no previous convictions. He was sent to goal for seven months for possessing stolen property.

In the corridor, while he was waiting to be taken to Wandsworth, I said, to cheer him up: "Well, it wasn't such a stiff sentence."

He smiled ruefully. "No," he agreed. "But that night while I was dodging from shadow to shadow in the museum, with those two guards seeking me—that was more punishment than prison is going to be!"

After a moment's silence, he said: "In fact, I almost think I've been punished twice!"

And perhaps he had. NEXT WEEK: Fabian traps the actor who thought up a blackmail plot while playing a crook on the stage.

## Bevin And Sir Ralph Stevenson Confer On China

London, November 25.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, conferred tonight with Sir Ralph Stevenson, the British Ambassador to China, on the question of recognising the newly-formed Communist regime at Peking.

Mr. Bevin is thought to have made up his mind that it will be in Britain's economic and political interest to establish full relations with the Chinese Reds.

This is particularly because of Britain's big financial stake in China.

The British are unlikely to move on the issue at least until the first or second week in January when the Foreign Ministers of all the Commonwealth countries are due to consider Far Eastern affairs—particularly Japanese and Chinese matters—at Colombo, Ceylon.

Sir Ralph left Nanking about a month ago and made his way home via Hong Kong, Singapore, New Delhi and Karachi, where he talked with the British and Commonwealth diplomats over ways and means of curbing the spread of Communism through the Far East.

Meanwhile, the Communist Peking Radio reported tonight that tele-communications between Canton and other cities in Communist-occupied China have been fully restored.

It also said that the telegraph and telephone service between Canton and Hong Kong and Macao are also functioning.

Furthermore, the Radio reported, international telegraphic messages can now be sent from Canton to various countries through international wireless stations in Shanghai and Peking, the Communist capital.

### Shantung Cotton

Forty-seven thousand tons of cotton was the autumn's Shantung yield, the Radio said. The Province also yielded 300,000 tons of peanuts and more than 5,000 tons of hemp, the Radio added.

It said that as a result of Provincial Government aid the Shantung acreage of cotton and peanuts sown this autumn exceeded that of 1948 by 70 per cent.

Improved cultivation had also brought about a normal yield this year in spite of drought, flood, hailstorms and pests. Associated Press and Reuter.

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MR. ERNEST BEVIN

## SERIOUS NIGERIA RIOTING

London, November 25.

The Colonial Office said tonight that an official press release from Nigeria stated: "Reports received up till noon today indicated that serious rioting and looting has taken place in Port Harcourt."

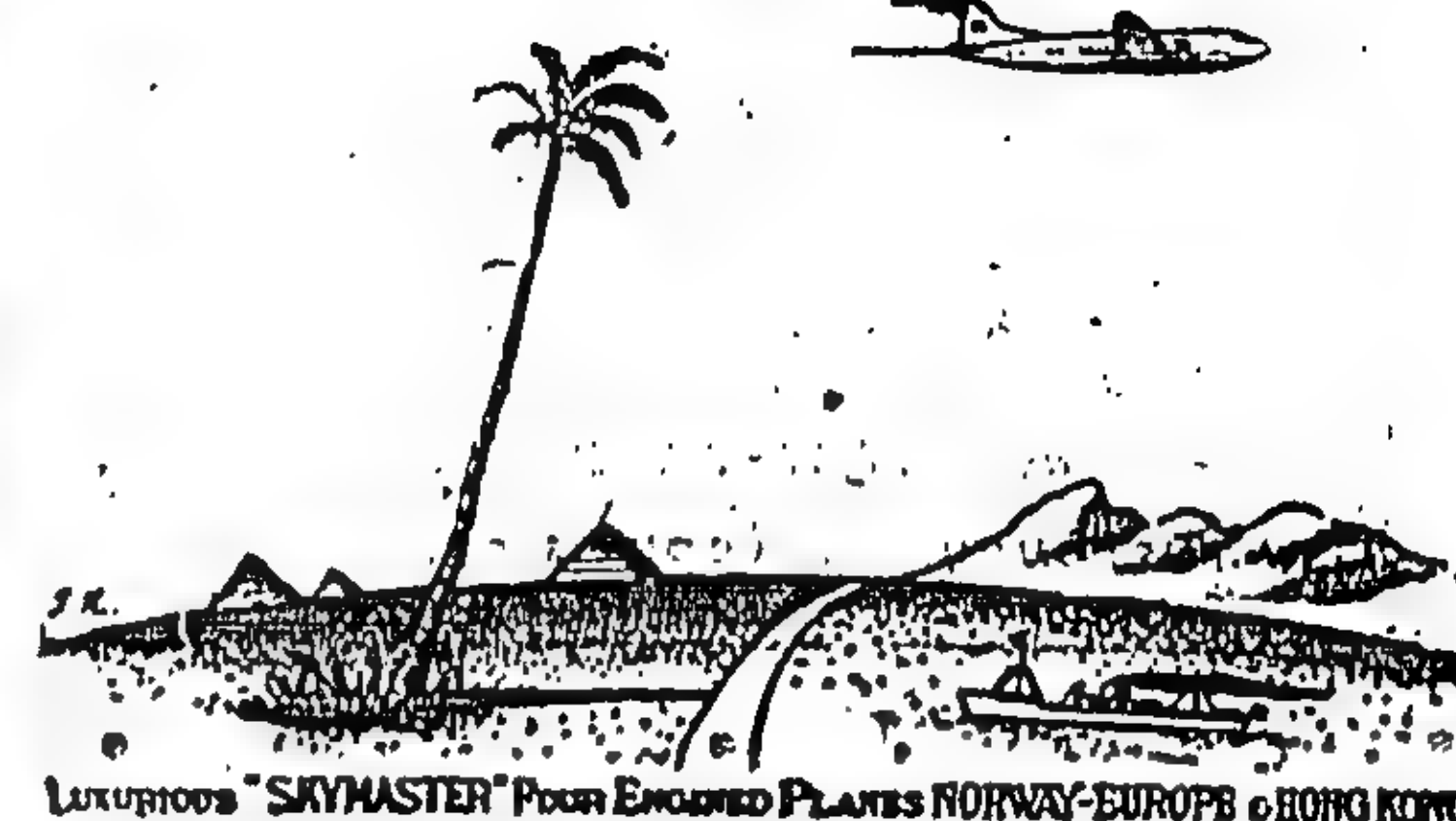
The press release added: "Eventually the police were compelled to fire and 13 rounds were fired. Two casualties are reported, one of which is believed to be serious."

"Police reinforcements arrived at Port Harcourt while the rioting was taking place. No reports of disorders elsewhere have been received today."

Meanwhile, the Congress of Peoples against Imperialism, a British organisation in London led by Mr. Fenner Brockway, former Member of Parliament, today sent a cable urging the United Nations to "investigate conditions in British colonies as the Nigerian shootings shows the existence of a police state in British territory."—Reuter.

Portsmouth, November 25. About 24,000 workers of the three biggest Dortmund steel factories downed tools for one hour today to protest against the German proposals for foreign capital investment in the Ruhr steel industry. Reuter.

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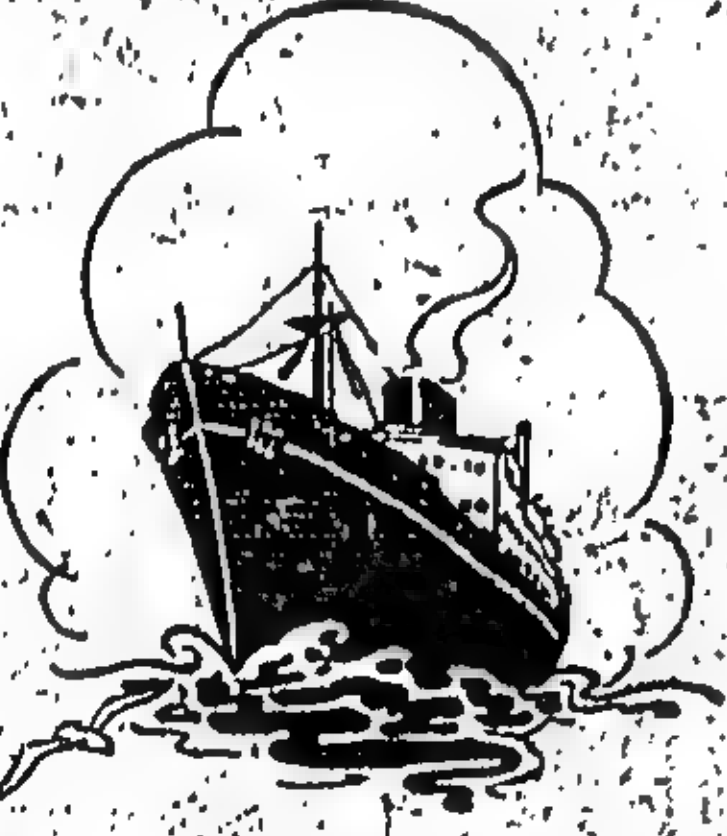
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# CAMPAIGN IN MALAYA MAY LAST FOR YEARS

## BRITISH TRIBUTE TO JEWS' LEADER

London, November 25. The independent weekly, "Spectator," today paid a tribute to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of Israel. Saying that Dr. Weizmann was a great man, the article recalled that little more than a year ago it would have been possible to say "a great Englishman," but the establishment of the State of Israel had cut the formal links which bound him to his original country of adoption.

"It was fitting that Englishmen of all creeds should have united on the occasion of his 75th birthday to pay their respects to a statesman whose sympathies have always been frankly with Britain though his origins are not from the East," the article said.

"It was fitting also that General Jan Smuts, who has much in common with Dr. Weizmann besides friendship, should have been present to lead the congratulations."

"But in all the celebrations there must be one note of reservation. Dr. Weizmann is President of Israel and though through age and illness his office is as much honorary as active, he cannot isolate his reputation from the deeds of the Jewish Government."

"These have already shown a considerable watering-down from Zionism's pioneering idealism. In the inevitable days of struggle ahead, when Israel is poised between nationalism and moderation, it is to be hoped that Dr. Weizmann will still have some influence and that it will be used to counsel sanity to his fellow citizens." Reuter.

## Fat Man Dies While On Fast

Birmingham, Alabama, November 25. Perry Coplan, 52, died last day of his planned 100-day fast to shed excessive weight—died here early today. He fell in the bathroom of his home about midnight and died 20 minutes later.

The 52-year-old round man, who had complained that he could not resist the temptation of his wife's cooking around the house, mounted a 30-foot high pole on September 1. He said at the time that he would stay aloft except for exercise periods until December 2, but last Monday when he came down for his brief routine he had dizzy and blind spells. He decided to stay on the ground, he said.

He had been existing on orange juice, water, lemon flavouring and eponin salts.

When he started his fast, Coplan tipped the scale at 387 pounds but had cut himself down to 247 pounds at the time of his death. —United Press.

## RED ARMY POST IN IRAN

Teheran, November 25. A high military source today confirmed that the Russian Army has a post on Iranian soil in the Kavir Khoran oil fields near Barmian, 182 miles North East of Teheran.

The source said that the post consists of three or four Red Army soldiers and some Soviet officials.

Iran has protested many times to have the soldiers removed, said, so far without result. —Associated Press.

Singapore, November 26.

Exasperated British officers battling against the Communists in Central Malaya believe that the jungle war may last for years—as long as the guerrillas retain their political incentive and their bullets hold out.

"That is why I pin my hopes of an early end to the 'emergency' on empty gun magazines," said one authority.

All competent observers here recognise that militant Communism, though now backed by active guerrilla bands estimated at only 3,000 to 5,000 men, is still a formidable force in Malaya.

The powerful political core at the centre appears to be determined to keep the revolt going as long as the Communist life continues to flow in China.

One senior British officer, said that the Communist leaders all of Chinese origin, are thought to be hanging on so tenaciously because they hope a favourable international turn will soon enable them to resume the offensive.

Though British sources say that the Communist successes in China have so far had little effect in swinging the sympathies of the Chinese in Malaya, Chinese must be in a state of mind to be a powerful factor in a country where 2,500,000 of the 6,000,000 population are Chinese.

Thus there might be a dramatic change of heart if Britain recognises the Chinese Communist Party, and the Chinese and Malayan Communist parties are able to link up.

### Incredible war

Some 14,000 British and Malay troops and 73,000 police are hunting the organised terrorist gangs in Malaya today, according to official figures. But numbers are no criterion in this incredible war in which a small group of guerrillas using the jungle expertly, employ a variety of weapons, including automatics, machine-guns and hand-thrown bombs, and with strong support.

Supporting the Communists is the "People's Army," which consists of tens of thousands of food suppliers, agents, collectors of "contributions" to the Party and couriers.

Many of these people live in remote areas where they have no protection and little option as to whether they help the terrorists or not.

Intelligence sources estimate that some of the gangs number several hundred well-trained guerrillas. But in the main they have small parties, keeping the reign of terror going with occasional ambushes, murders and robberies.

### Warfare Arms

They attempt to keep clear of the security forces while they regroup, train and indoctrinate new recruits with the Marxist-Leninist ideology.

Hope that the terrorists' ammunition will run out is not mere wishful thinking. Security officers are confident that no arms or ammunition is being smuggled to the Communist forces. They have to rely on the considerable supplies dropped to the Malayan People's Anti-Japanese Army during the war and those left behind by the Japanese themselves.

Police and troops have seized large dumps of guns and bullets and there is a general belief here that the guerrillas may be running short.

In recent jungle clashes, too, the security forces have noticed that many of the guerrillas were conserving their ammunition.

Surrounded terrorists—the trickle has become a little larger in the last few months—have told the authorities that fresh recruits under training get any amount of

rifle drill but are allowed to fire only one or two shots to "see how it feels."

### Jungle Presses

Recently, an arms dump containing 30 Japanese machine-guns in perfect condition was unearthed by a police and military party in Pahang. It is believed that the local terrorists had not been able to use the guns because they lacked ammunition.

There is, however, no indication that the Communist Party is running short of political powder. The authorities say that the flow of party propaganda material from the jungle printing presses has not decreased in spite of the fact that the security forces are keeping the gangs moving and pushing them into more remote regions.

Although there is no hard evidence that the Malayan Communist Party has any direct contact with the Chinese Communist Party, officials here admit that it is possible. They say that couriers could easily get across the Thailand border to meet Chinese Communist representatives in Bangkok.

A number of senior members of the Malayan Communist Party who are known to be in Peking have recently made broadcasts expressing sympathy with the "workers of Malaya."

### Some Japanese

The "Malayan People's Anti-British Army" is thought to be mostly composed of China-born Chinese, with a sprinkling of Malays, Indonesians and Japanese but there is no evidence that any members of the Chinese Communist Party have yet come South to bolster the ranks in Malaya.

The Communist campaign in Malaya is believed to be run by an Executive Committee of the Malayan Communist Party; but there is strong evidence that one or two dominate the movement.

Few of the guerrillas fighting in the jungle know their leaders, according to surrendered bandits, but it is understood that the Malayan security forces' intelligence has a fairly good idea of their identity. —Reuter.

## Japanese Union Talks In Tokyo

Tokyo, November 26. The All-Japan Labour Unions Council, which failed to send a delegation to the World Federation of Trade Unions Conference in Peking, has decided to hold a Japan meeting in Tokyo.

The meeting will be held on November 27 on the same line as the WFTU conference of Asian and Australasian countries in Peking on November 16.

According to the Council spokesman, the meeting's agenda will be:

1. Materialisation of resolutions to be adopted at the Peking conference.

2. A peace treaty for Japan.

3. Asiatic trade, including Sino-Japanese commerce.

4. Struggle for year-end allowance payments.

The spokesman said that invitations to attend the coming meeting will be issued not only to its member unions, but all labour unions, including those affiliated with the National Federation of Labour, as well as Chinese and Korean labour leaders resident in Japan. —Reuter.



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## Pakistan's Case On Kashmir

London, November 25.

Pakistan's Minister for Kashmir Affairs, the Nawab Mushtaq Ahmad Gurmani, will leave London on Monday, November 28, for Geneva, where the United Nations Kashmir Commission is in session.

Nawab Gurmani will present the Pakistani case when the Kashmir dispute comes up before the Security Council of the United Nations in New York.

He is anxious to inform himself on the progress made by the Commission in Geneva towards the completion of its report to the Security Council.

The Commission's report is expected to deal with conditions for a truce in Kashmir between India and Pakistan and the outstanding disagreements about its implementation.

It had originally been expected that the report would be ready by the middle of November. The latest information, however, is that the end of the first week in December is a more likely target date.

Subject to the findings of the Kashmir Commission Nawab Gurmani is expected to concentrate on his presentation of his country's case before the Security Council—what Pakistan considers the essentials of the Kashmir dispute in its relation to the United Nations, according to reliable sources here.

He will, it is predicted, stress above all, the urgency of a solution in Kashmir, not only for

Pakistan and India, but for stabilising the situation politically and economically in the whole surrounding area.

### Urgent Matter

The situation in this area, observers here point out, has been affected by two major recent developments—the establishment of a Communist Government in China, with its repercussions on Kashmir's neighbour, the Chinese province of Sinkiang, and the announcement by Moscow of the appointment of a Soviet Ambassador to Pakistan.

In the light of these developments London and Washington will certainly agree with the view that a settlement of the dispute in Kashmir and the restoration of peaceful and prosperous conditions there has become a matter of increasing urgency.

Nawab Gurmani, it is believed, covered these aspects of the question fully during his talks in London, which included conversations with Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister. —Reuter.

## SERIOUS PROBLEM

London, November 25.

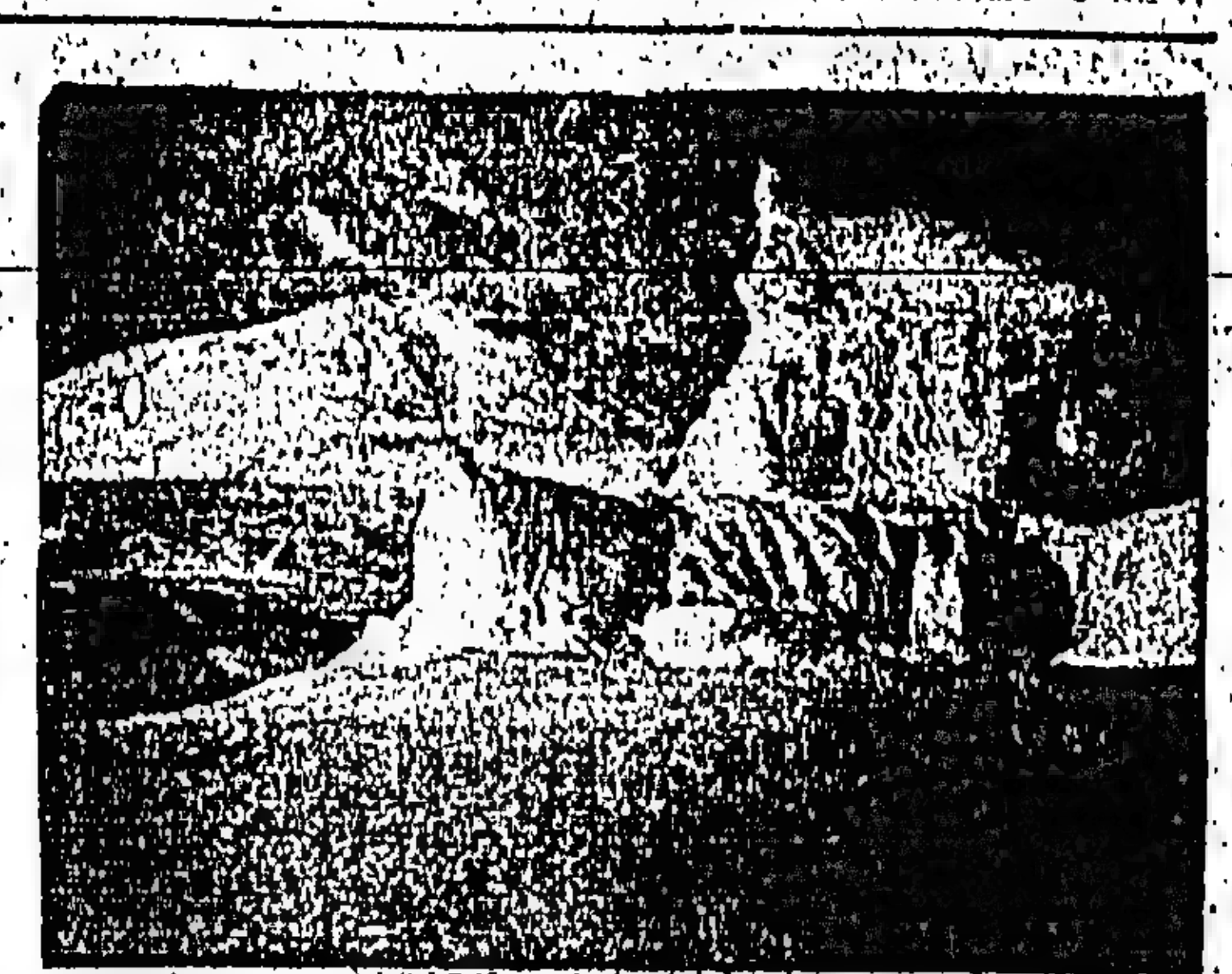
Among the danger points threatening the peace of the world Kashmir remains one of the most serious, the "Economist" British weekly, stated today.

Under the heading: "Mr. Nehru and Kashmir," the periodical declared that the attitude of the Indian Prime Minister in his statement to the press on his recent visit to London unfortunately gave little ground for hope of an early settlement.

There was no valid reason why a United Nations supervised plebiscite should not be held in Kashmir next spring at the latest, it wrote. "If India recognises the United Nations supervision as adequate, then it does not matter which areas are controlled by Indian-Kashmiri or Azad forces."

"On the other hand, India contends that United Nations supervision would be insufficient to prevent a rigging of the plebiscite by the de facto local authorities. Then the balance in such a situation would be plainly in favour of India, which controls the most populous areas, including the Vale of Kashmir."

"On neither assumption has India valid ground for refusing a plebiscite. If, nevertheless, India still insists that all Azad forces must be eliminated before there can be a plebiscite, then the possibility of using an international force for supervision of the plebiscite, as has been previously suggested in the "Economist," should be seriously considered." —Reuter.



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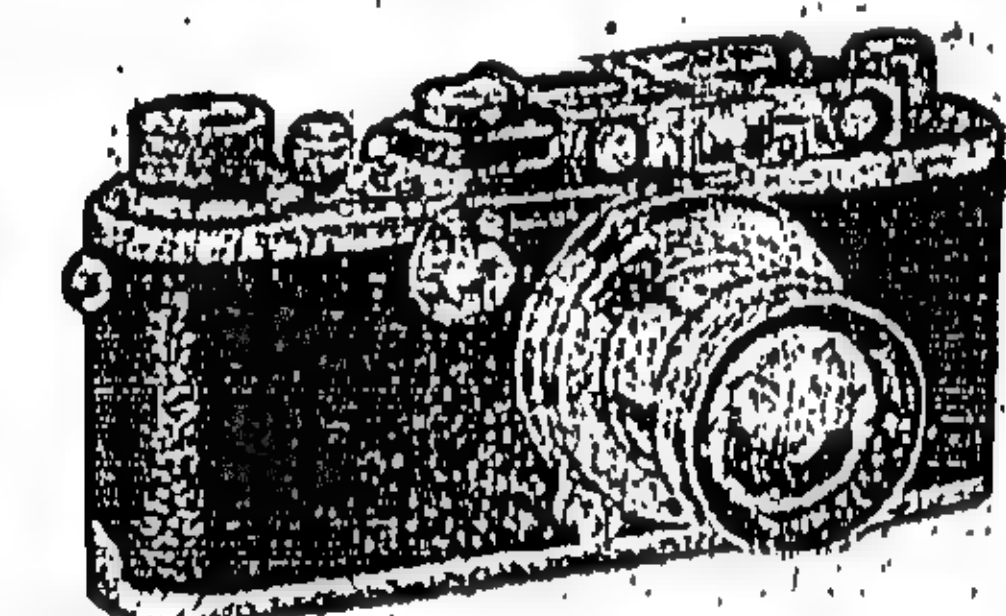
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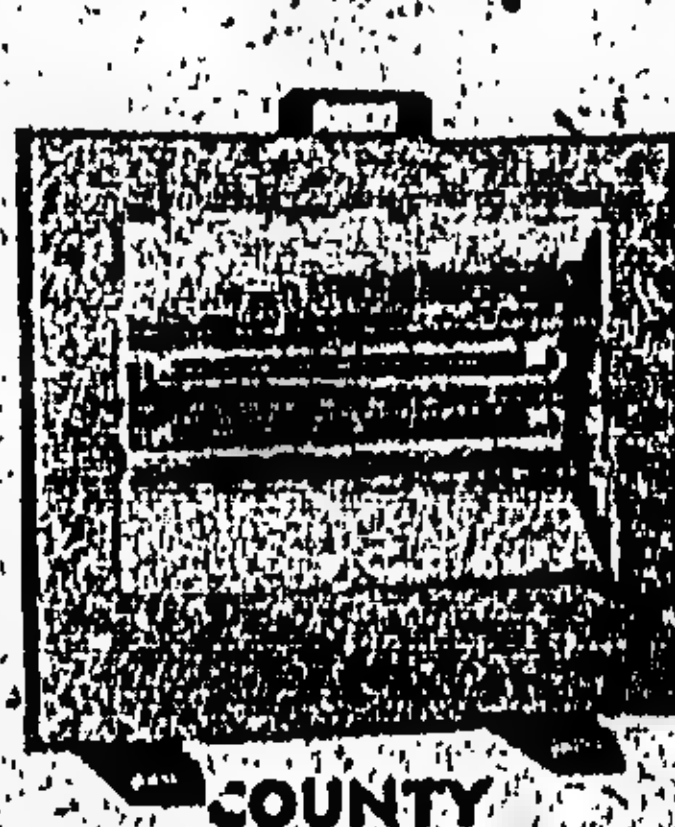
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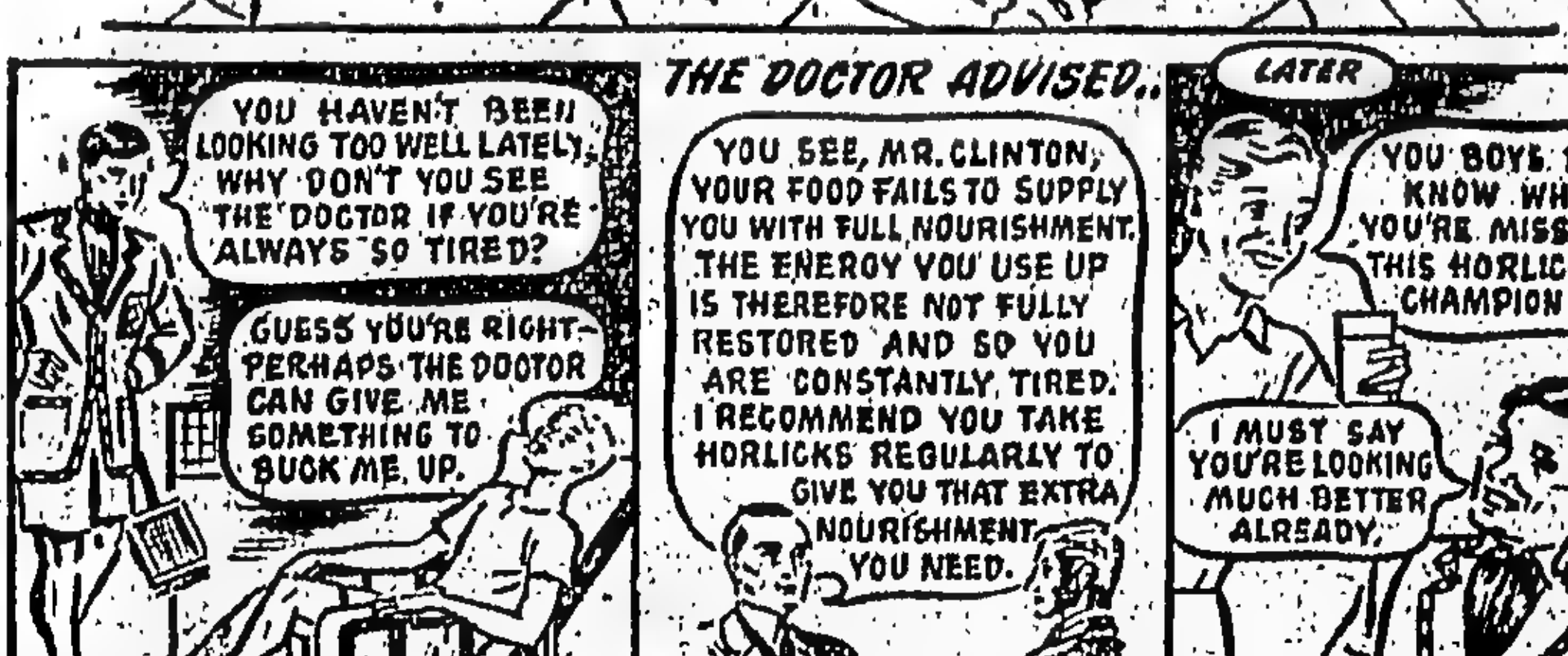
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## Films Break Up Many Marriages, Expert Says

New York, November 25.

Hollywood is breaking up many marriages by making wives dissatisfied and giving husbands inferiority complexes, one psychologist contends.

Alfred E. Johns, who specialises in patching up broken homes, said the films are making his job twice as hard as they would if they presented domestic life realistically.

## Birth Rate Dropping In Japan

Tokyo, November 26.

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## Britain To Have Bases In Cyrenaica

London, November 25.

Britain will establish a military base in Cyrenaica early next year, government sources today said. The base will be for British troops, presumably along the lines of the British army with headquarters.

Negotiations are expected to begin almost immediately with the withdrawal of British troops from Cyrenaica, probably in January or February. United Press.

## WORLD'S FOOD PROBLEM

Washington, November 25.

An Egyptian delegate today called on the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation to declare that a food shortage was imminent unless currency convertibility was restored.

Convertibility was the immediate line of attack in solving the world commodity problem, the delegate, Mr. El Emery, asserted. He told the FAO meeting: "Many countries today are selling their goods in exchange for a currency acceptable only to the country issuing them or at best to a group of countries who sometimes do not possess the essential commodities needed by the selling countries."

"This state of affairs is forcing some needy countries to spend extravagantly on luxury goods and go without the things which they need to sustain bodies and souls."

"We are clogged in rags and wearing silk stockings. This state of affairs must come to an end soon."

It was no wonder that underdeveloped countries' development programmes were being put off year after year when their accumulated balance of sterling and other currencies held abroad were either blocked or released in small amounts, the Egyptian delegate declared.

If the Big Powers were sincere about helping these countries, they could make available amounts of convertible currency equivalent to the business held abroad, the delegate asserted.

This might well prove to be the immediate remedy for inconvertibility, he added. Reuter.

Rome, November 25.

The Ministry of Defence announced that Italy is shortly to build her first three radar stations. Two will be on the East coast and one in Sardinia. Reuter.

## STAFFORD CRIPPS OPTIMISTIC

London, November 25.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, said today that the United States is abandoning its traditional policy of tariff protection and the dollar-sterling problem eventually will be solved.

Speaking at the centenary banquet of the Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Institution, Sir Stafford demanded keen and more energetic salesmanship in dollar areas to balance Britain's trade. United Press.



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## PAN-ISLAMIC TALKS START IN KARACHI

Karachi, November 25.

The first pan-Islamic conference opened tonight in Karachi, where delegates from nearly all over the Middle East countries will discuss the fostering of closer economic co-operation among the Muslim countries of the world. Fourteen delegations are attending, including representatives from Indonesia and Malaya. Observers are present from non-Muslim countries.

The inaugural session of the 11-day conference was attended by the Pakistan Prime Minister, Liaquat Ali Khan.

The Pakistan Finance Minister, Ghulam Mohammed, urged Moslems to form a world group independent of the Communist bloc and the Western democracies, when he opened the conference.

He said, "We hope to form a group of nations that by mutual co-operation in the economic field are able to help themselves by help to each other."

"We do not want to be dragged into the whirlpool of power politics."

"We desire to be alone to shape our own destinies."

The Minister added that there was much in Islamic ideology in common with that of the Western democracies, but Moslems could also see valuable aspects of the Communist experiment.

### Wrong Methods

Mr. Mohammed said, "We cannot imitate the Western democratic system blindly. We must find a way of our own."

He continued, "In Africa racial minorities are ruling and exploiting native majorities. In parts of democratic America the Negro is still lynched for his colour."

"Communism had brought slavery, education and credit help to the poorest citizen, but in my opinion the Communist experiment has been unduly swallowed up by order."

"Communism aimed at a leveling of society by violent and drastic methods. Islam was a complete sympathy with the ideal but not with the methods."

## BELGRADE ENVOY SEES BEVIN

London, November 25.

M. Obradovic, the Yugoslav Ambassador in London, tonight called on the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, for a discussion which diplomatic observers believed to be connected with trade negotiations.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that the call was at the Ambassador's request.

Sir Charles Frank, the British Ambassador in Belgrade, who has been conducting protracted trade negotiations for Britain there, saw Mr. Bevin yesterday. Reuter.

Paris, November 25.

Two tubes of radium were stolen from the University of Bordeaux today and the police is hunting for the thieves. It is believed that the tubes were used for medical purposes. United Press.

## Islam Able To Solve World's Problems

Karachi, November 25.

The Pakistan Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, said here tonight that Moslem countries could achieve everything they wished by "working in co-operation and according to plan."

Welcoming delegates to the first international Islamic Economic Conference, he said: "We have a long way to go before we can claim that we have banished poverty, hunger and ignorance from our midst."

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Iran Expelling Iraqis

Teheran, November 25.

A high Government source disclosed today that Iran is expelling hundreds of Iraqi subjects from the country in retaliation for measures taken against the Iranian subjects in Iraq.

Iraqis in Iran mainly are merchants and their expulsion might result in a serious trade dislocation between the two nations. Associated Press.

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# REPORT ON A SOVIET SATELLITE

By ERIC BOURNE

Czechoslovakia, now nearing the end of a second year within the Soviet orbit, is in the throes of her native Communists' biggest effort yet to turn the nation's eyes and thoughts exclusively to the "Socialist Fatherland" in the East.

These are the "days of Czechoslovak-Soviet friendship." They begin with elaborate celebrations and lavish propaganda to mark the 32nd anniversary of Russia's "Great October Socialist Revolution," and the drums will go on beating until December 21 when Mr. Stalin will reach his 70th birthday.

Hundreds of thousands of copies of newspapers pouring off the government-controlled presses, are sounding a single theme—that without the 1917 revolution there would have been no independent Czechoslovakia in 1918, no third republic after the second world war (entirely, the newspapers say, by the Soviet), and no Communist triumph in February 1948.

Masaryk and Benes, names still solemnly revered by most Czechs, are scarcely mentioned, except in attempts to eradicate the stubbornly lingering influence of their ideas.

Following up the propaganda barrage, 4,000 committees have been established to organize "October" rejoicings throughout the country. Thousands of courses in Russian—compulsory in all the schools even in boys' lines—have been introduced in offices, factories, mines and the countryside. Most jobs will soon depend on a man's ability to speak Russian.

## Offering Prizes

Newspapers are offering prizes for correct answers to a quiz about the Soviet Union, ranging from the title of "Pravda's" first editor to the name of the town which builds the American-looking Zis cars wherein Stalin's diplomats glide through a score of European capitals today.

Editions of Stalin's writings, in Czech and Slovak, are being turned out in hundreds of thousands. A 100-foot statue of the Dictator in the Kremlin is to be erected, on a hilltop completely dominating Prague—a statue not "in" but "above" the city and, as the Minister of Education, 71-year-old Professor Nejedlik, intoned, "monumental and visible from everywhere."

This immense build-up of everything Russian is accompanied by the steady abuse of the West—and, what is worse for those suspected of Western sympathies, the dissemination of "spies" and "warmongers," the expulsion of diplomats and the grossly distorted press stories of contemporary Anglo-Saxon life.

What, in fact, is now going on in Czechoslovakia is the violent acceleration of the "class struggle" promised at the Party Congress last spring.

A powerful jerk has been given to the pace of the enforced conversion of 12,000,000 people—conversion to unquestioning acceptance of a new way of life and thought, from which no deviation is permissible and from which it is almost impossible to stand aloof.

The medicine is there. Those who don't like it must take it just the same as those who do.

## Delicate Balance

The Czechoslovakia of Masaryk and Benes succeeded in preserving some sort of balance, however delicate, between East and West. Communist Czechoslovakia wants nothing of that. The whole nation, every phase of Czechoslovak life, is being ruthlessly re-moulded to monotonous conformity with Soviet teaching and experience.

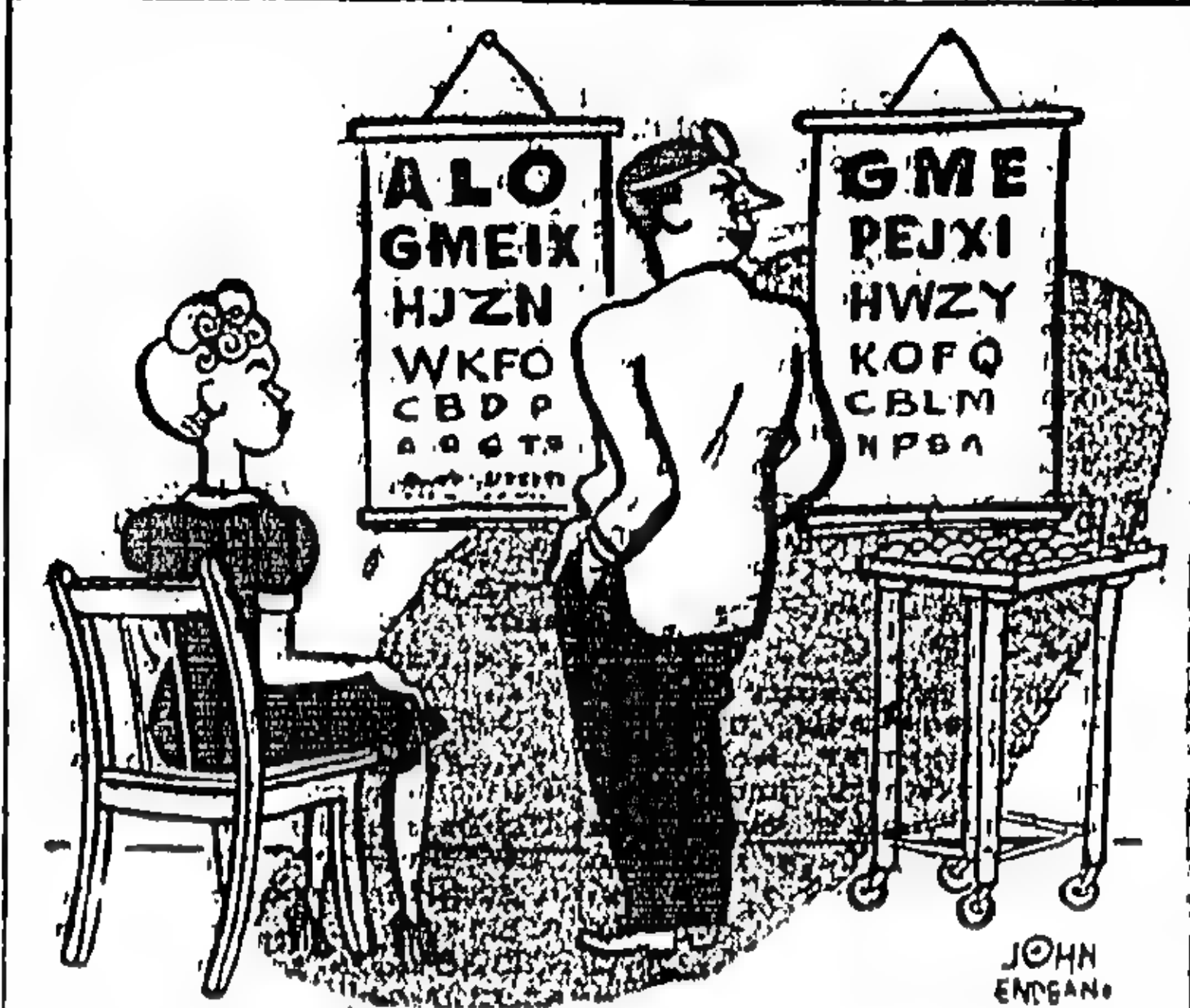
The ideas of the West are taboo—highlighted the stage of the West, which, for all the five

Yen's Plan, must still provide the Czechs with more than 50 per cent. of their needs from the outside world.

The Czech Communists see their country at the head of Rus-

substantial numbers of their heaviest tanks.

But the Russians cannot afford to take a chance on a second Tito. That is why, along with the other Cominform States, Czechoslovakia is today being given this tremendous dose of forcible "Russification." Simultaneously, the Party of Mr. Gottwald is being rigorously cleansed of



"Frankly, I like the first one better than the second!"

son's group of allies. It is essential, therefore, that they first establish Russian confidence in their hold on the country and its government.

Poland and Hungary may be rivals, but the Czech Communist were in an advantageous position when the war ended. Their country, alone of Russia's present allies, emerged with an undamaged and virtually undamaged industrial machine. Thus today, while Poland is rebuilding the war's devastation, and while Hungary and Rumania grapple with the painful tasks of industrialization, Czechoslovakia is already largely equipped and working fast as the "arsenal of the Peoples' Democracies."

In the new Plan, here economy has been closely geared to the needs of Eastern industrialization, and indeed the Czechs are filling the economic void left in this western part of Europe by the German collapse. That is how the Russians wanted it from the time the war ended.

## Reward Of Trade

The Czechs have been rewarded by more trade with the Soviet Union than any other Cominform state. Czech locomotives and manufactured consumer goods are pouring into Russia. Czech economists insist that with generous supplies of grain (no doubt of this), meat and butter and some raw materials plus security, Czechoslovakia is "getting a fair deal."

But, after Tito's disclosures and in the denial of previous information to the inquiring foreign correspondent, they cannot grumble if there is some scepticism about the true nature of the bargain.

Russia needed the Czechs for other reasons, too. As the past year has shown, the Kremlin knew it was headed for trouble with Tito long before the Adam broke in the open, long before the Prague revolution of February. A gap was to be opened on the Soviet bloc's Southern flank, then consolidation elsewhere was essential.

After Tito's, the Czechs possess potentially the strongest army on the European mainland outside Russia. They possessed also a big armaments industry, which Tito did not, and, as a recent military parade demonstrated, the Russians have since bolstered the Czechoslovakian forces with

# TOWN BUILT ON GOLD

By MCKENZIE PORTER

If the ghost of Dangerous Dan McGraw ever returns it will surely haunt Val d'Or, Canada's youngest and justest gold town.

Never since Dawson City burst out of the Klondike snow to the accompaniment of the hal-lows of Robert W. Service has such a hectic, dizzy community been born by the stroke of a "bonanza"—a rich vein.

Young British immigrants, seeking their fortune 300 miles up-country from Toronto, rub their eyes when they land in Val d'Or, North-west Quebec. They see around them the sort of roaring boom-town they imagined existed only in blood-and-thunder magazines.

Fifteen years ago it was a shack on a swamp owned by two Slovak prospectors called Mike Mitto and The Russian Kid. Today it is a metropolis of 12,000 people, glittering in the heart of a forest; a mixture of the old and the new, barbarism and civilization.

You can stand, bathed in neon light, at either end of Third Avenue, and shoot a moose or a bear. Then you can walk for two minutes and celebrate your haul in the plush carpet of the Club Morocco, which offers drinking and dancing until your every morning, including Sundays.

## Huskies, Cabarets, Slick Cars

In winter, sleds hitched to teams of savage huskies are parked among sleek 1948 autos in the plush carpet of the Club Morocco, which offers drinking and dancing until your every morning, including Sundays.

Two modern high-schools and a magnificent hospital in steel and concrete loom above a sprawl of primitive log cabins and bright neon marquees strung by the glowing bush.

Silver-painted head-frames mark mines like Louvicourt, Siseop and Golden Manitou.

They were sunk in the trail of Mike Mitto and The Russian Kid in the stock exchanges of the world. Yet in their shadow Indian squaws carry their babies on their backs and Algonquin braves still paddle their birchbark canoes on the happy hunting grounds on a little sliver across two canoes.

Chinese Archie, who came from the galaxy of a Great Lakes steamer to open The Windsor chop-suey for the first diamond drillers, looked along Third Avenue at the brick hotels, the five and ten-cent stores, the florists, the hairdressers, and the night-club, and said:

"First come, a couple of junks. Then come a gang of hoboes and me. Next come a couple of taxis. Soon a handful of gals is tearing around. Then they run the railroad through."

And before I can say, 'moody soup' there's a glimmering, glittering on my front car-tap."

## Miners From Spain, Italy, Britain

Milling down this main street go gold miners in "mackinaws, jeans, hair-bobs and fur caps. They come from the D.P. camps of Central Europe, from the squalid mines of Spain, from the marble quarries of Italy and from the coal pits of Scotland, Tyne-side, Yorkshire and Llanelli.

But they all look alike, they all earn around \$250 a week, they are nearly all single, and they are all looking for the same things—strong liquor, a dice game, or a wife.

There are also the saucy promoters, the slick commercial travellers, the insurance salesmen, and scores of other transients who know that in Val d'Or a lonely man can "have a good time." It is reckoned that 10 per cent of all Val d'Or's gold is stolen. It is smuggled out by miners in false boot-heels, in untested can-

diaries, and in scores of other craftily hiding places.

And the thefts are reflected in the number of mysterious men who without jobs—who think nothing of staking ten thousand dollars on the throw of a dice—find their way to Val d'Or.

In the centre of Val d'Or's social whirl stands the Club Morocco. Spending its lavish which explains the nightly floor-show. It never has fewer than three acts, flown from New York and paid between 400 and 500 dollars a week each.

It also explains the fact that one of the club's waiters owns his own airplane, and a Negro servant is reputed to be worth 100,000 dollars.

In these 15 years hundreds of traders have soared from rags to riches—including Ben and Viola Self.

Ben and Viola opened Val d'Or's first three-way shop—in a rented cabin. They had four dollars. They got their stock on credit and shipped it in by canoe.

## The 80-year-old Trapper

In 1945, after 11 years, they sold the business for 20,000 dollars. They also owned \$90,000 dollars worth of property and several million shares in Val d'Or mines which they had got in return for giving credit to prospectors.

Leading character in a town of characters is Georges Blondin, a retired trapper, now 80 years old. His bright blue eyes stare out from a snowy nimbus of shoulder-length hair and chest-deep beard.

Every night he goes dancing. Last year he did a tap-dance in a cabaret. Early this year he beat an 80-year-old woman in a skating contest.

He runs up the gradual embankment of respectability on Val d'Or. They got church, school, and a library. They got electric light, lawns and a railroad. But the last straw was when they got a musical society, a high school, a library, a newspaper, "The Star."

She covers assignments by canoe, snowmobile, aircraft, dog sled, and skis. If a new strike is made around Val d'Or it will probably be this girl, who will sail the world's first and start another gold rush.

Mike Mitto, who started the rush to Val d'Or in 1933 is today a millionaire, but not one. In 1937, a few days before a fortune was paid by Bordaine Gold Mines Ltd. for a claim which had been registered as "The Russian Kid Properties," Mitto's partner died of pneumonia.

After 18 years of snow, mosquitoes, treacherous swamps and life in tents, shacks or under the pitiless stars, The Russian Kid died grasping what he had always sought—a crock of gold at the end of the rainbow.

Nowadays, Mike Mitto's wife, Mrs. Mitto, owns a big house in Toronto and sends this three children to boarding school. But she spends most of her time in the shack on Third Avenue, Val d'Or. It looks old and out of place among all the modern buildings. But Mitto has refused the equivalent of \$20,000 for the site.

If you complimented his shop-keeping, neighbours on Third Avenue on bringing the beginnings of civilization to the North-western hinterland of Canada, they would probably laugh. In your face, and say that what really attracted them was a notice outside the town which reads: "Come Here For Your First Million."

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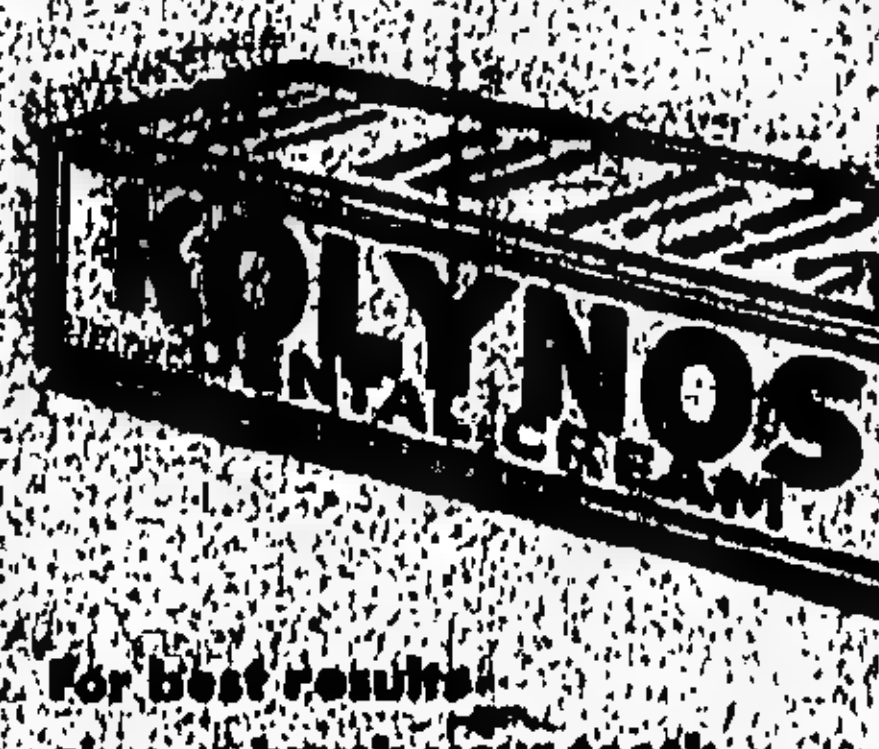
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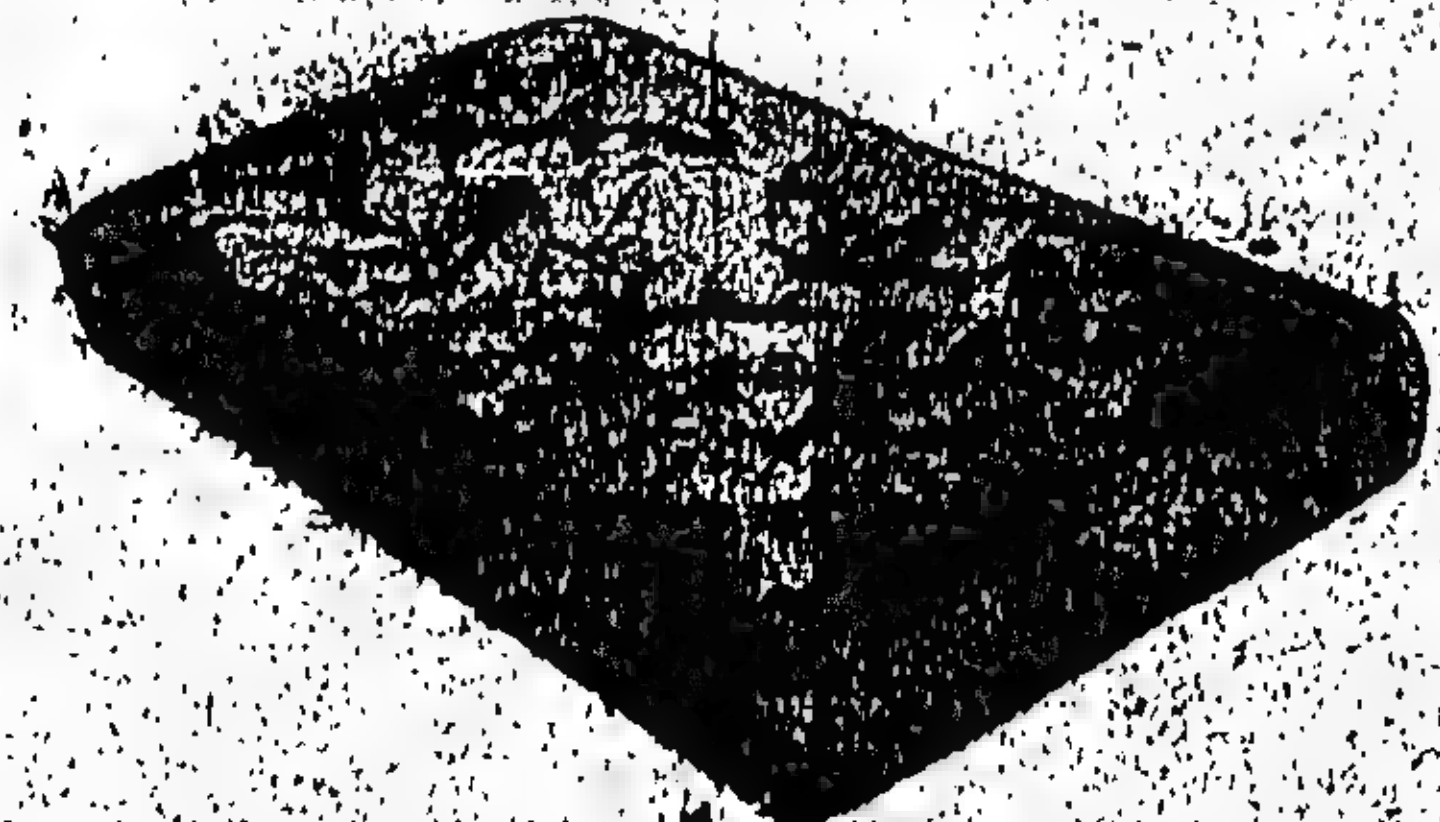
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## Flashes From The Russian Atom Bomb

Since the first atom bomb went off in 1945 opinion in this country about the new weapon has been divided between banning it altogether and using it as a means of overawing the tiresome but bombastic Russians.

The first idea, supported with lip service by a number of important people who ought to have known better, is visionary and impracticable; and the second has now been rendered obsolete by the Russian acquisition of the bomb.

It can no longer be maintained that the "swift atomisation" of Russian cities would provide the surest defence of Western Europe.

### Scrap Of Comfort

Even if we accept the overwhelming power of the atom bomb and the certainty of application that it advocates claim for it, the question now is whether the Americans could pulverise the Soviet Union before Russian bombs could knock out Britain, the American bomber base.

The answer is now too certain. If the Americans have 50 times as many atom bombs as the Russians, Britain is about 50 times smaller, more crowded, and hence more vulnerable than the vast area of Communist Russia.

We British can, however, find a scrap of comfort in the fact that the alleged decisiveness of atomic bombing is under serious challenge, and in its American homeland at that.

Expert witnesses of the American Navy have told the House of Representatives Defence Committee that the basic assumptions of the atomic enthusiasts are false.

The naval men, who include some of the most distinguished figures of the late war, absolutely deny the airman's contention that the atom bomb cannot be intercepted at the great heights they now reach.

The sailors declare that combat aircraft are still effective against bombers at any height; and, moreover, that the Russians are believed to possess homing A-A rockets, which might well knock every hostile bomber out of the sky.

Common sense and past experience would certainly seem to be on the side of the naval officers. The former counsel us to be sceptical of short cuts to victory; while the latter tells us that new menaces, whether in the form of powder, poison gas, submarine, or air bombs, have the antidote close at hand.

(It is noteworthy that the distinguished American General Bradley has declared that atom-bomb defence is "well on the way.")

### Where Danger Lies

It is true, on the other hand, that Mr. Johnston, the American

Minister of Defence, is an avowed atomic whole-hogger and has brusquely overruled the naval views on the matter, strongly though they are held.

This, however, is not necessarily evidence of superior wisdom on his part. It would be foolish to shut our eyes to the possibility.

**By CAPTAIN  
RUSSELL  
GRENFELL, R.N.**

That the new-fangled Minister of Defence system may have unsuspected weaknesses.

Where a nation's major strategy is placed in the hands of a single politician he can hardly fail to feel a temptation to favour new (and therefore untested) weapons.

By so doing he can claim to be in the forefront of "progress", and since progress remains in the future, the critics can challenge his decisions only by analogy and not from actual results.

In short, there are more votes and less political risk in plunging for novelty than in striving for that balance of probabilities which was the natural outcome of the old tripartite system.

Anyway, it is earnestly to be hoped that Mr. Johnston is mistaken in his belief that the atom bomb will always reach its target, for that balance of probabilities which was the natural outcome of the old tripartite system.

Yet even if Mr. Johnston is completely wrong, we are still by no means out of the wood; for if the atom bomb will be the deterrent against Russian aggression that the American Minister of Defence—and for that matter our own Mr. Alexander—believes it to be.



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## Two Worlds In The West

By H.V. BODSON

Though it was 16 years since my last visit to New York, I did not expect to be astonished by anything so vixenous as a few skyscrapers. But the sudden sight of Fifth Avenue from about 54th Street snatches the stranger's breath.

The Rockefeller Centre seems to complete the Himalayan palimpsest whose Everest is still the Empire State building. What word can one find for that spectacle? Dramatic, dynamic, presumptuous; restless ambition frozen into a statue of energy.

It is this defiant architecture which first makes one feel that here is a different world from ours. Suddenly, London and the great capitals of Europe seem flat, stale, inert, old-fashioned, left behind in a race for wealth and glory. The impression grows and solidifies as one walks down the Avenue and gazes in the shops. Here is plenty, unrationed, unrestricted, undelayed, and, by comparison, cheap.

### Appetite Soon Sated

For food of the spirit the appetite is soon sated, for the one at first may feel about porter-house steaks, and shocking as it may be to observe an American leave more than an English week's ration of meat on the side of his plate. For the things one sees in the Fifth Avenue shops, however, appetite does not flag, clothes, solid and personal goods, household and personal needs and luxuries of all kinds. Wistfully one fingers a measure full of dollars.

True, such goods are not commoned now in Britain; but they are scarce, for "for export" or "inferior in quality, and only" because of the swiftness of purchase tax.

Even with the American import duty, the freight, the big wholesale and retail mark-up, you can still buy many British goods cheaper in New York than in London. So it is a question, not only of the poverty-stricken but also of the poverty-stricken themselves.

These first impressions do not fade. Americans do live in a different kind of world from that of Britons. And the truth is that in the economic realm the gulf between them and Britain is growing steadily just when we have come closer than ever before in the realm of political understanding, and when brotherhood between us is more than ever needed.

It is not merely a question of relative wealth. There are poor Americans as well as rich Americans; not so many years ago Britons were as wealthy as theirs in average income, yet the contrast already existed, because it was a contrast in the ways in which Britons were going, rather than the points that they had reached.

Nor is it a question of BRITAIN'S having more "social services", at the new rate between £ and \$, the Americans are spending just as much per head on social services as Britons are, though in different ways.

What, then, is the inwardness of the contrast? For the visitor with his limited view, the plainest clue is probably to be seen in the price scale in America. Food seems dear in the cities, even in the cheaper restaurants; friends will tell you that it is dear to the housewife as well as enter-ent, and that city rents at all income-levels are high. But most manufactured goods are comparatively cheap to the consumer.

Nylons at a dollar or less a pair are typical. The mass of women in England are simply not on a nylon standard, but they would be if they were economically in the same world as America.

In Britain Britons artificially force down the price of necessities like food and house-rents, and in order to do so we tax people so heavily, directly and indirectly, that many near-necessaries and petty luxuries pass beyond their reach altogether. In America people are left free to spend the money they earn on the goods they want at prices that reflect the goods' real cost.

Both systems, clearly, have certain merits—and certain defects. We should not regard the free system as tolerable if it left a decent minimum standard of life beyond the means of the weakest among us. But, once that condition is satisfied, the look at the contrast in dynamic effect.

### The Little More

If the money incomes of pensioners or the unemployed are enough to buy necessities, the workers' basic wage will certainly do that and more; his effort and ambition are regulated, but by the things that he can buy with a surplus.

It is the little bit extra or less in the pay packet, and what it means in goods from the shops that spell incentive. Heavy income-tax, and costly non-necessaries, depress incentive and thus lead to less work, less production and a lower standard of life. But put a car or a refrigerator or nylon stockings within a wage-earner's grasp and he will work for them, to his country's benefit as well as his own.

Here Britain's deliberate drift is towards an assured competence for everyone, and no special advantage for anyone, however hard or well he works, however keen his ambition to get on. So in productivity Britons tend to stagnate, while the Americans, with their incessant struggle to better themselves, drive ahead. And this means that British standards will actually tend to fall.

Of course, more considerations than personal incentive are involved. American industrial productivity is to a large extent the outcome of two factors: a high ratio of capital to labour, and the organisation of work to avoid waste of man-time.



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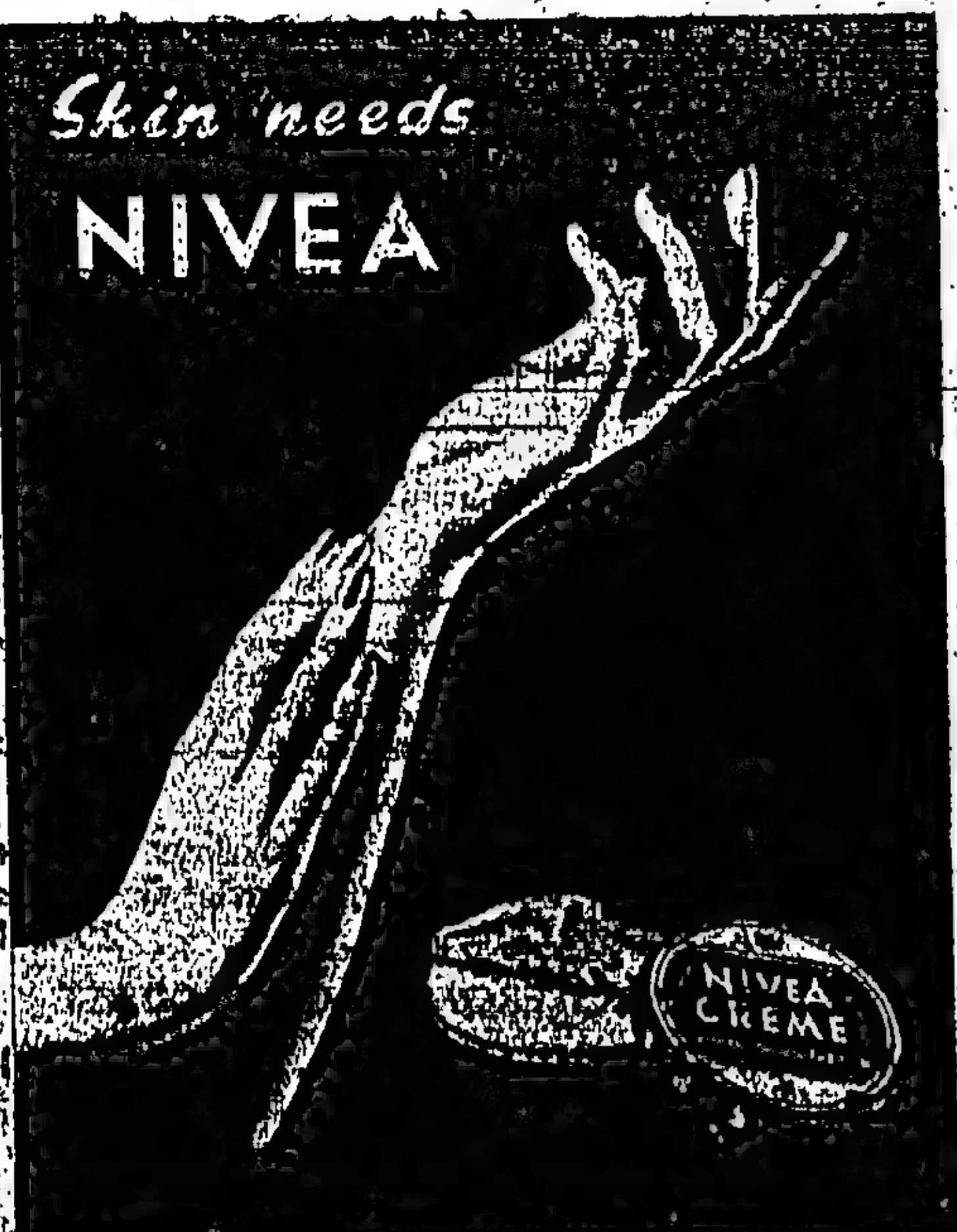
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## Between Ourselves

### Method In Make-Up

## THE LIPS BEAUTIFUL

By **CLAUDIA**

Lips must be lovely . . . if we are to paint them in bright, glowing colours and make them the outstanding feature of the face. There have been "fashions" in all shapes and sizes of lips, from the rose-pud-pout and the "cupid's bow", to the wide, square grin of more recent years, but the solid fact still remains that the lips are the most difficult feature of all to alter successfully by make-up.

Don't think for a moment that I am not in favour of a little discrete remodelling where necessary. On the contrary, I'm all for it . . . provided you first stop and have a really good think on the all-important subject of exactly how far the remodelling process is to be allowed to go.

Drastic alteration of the shape of your lips is not to be considered even for a moment . . . with the best of intentions the effect is simply grotesque, even though it may take on for a moment as one of fashion's more unfortunate whimsies.

One very good and sufficient reason provides all the evidence against too drastic remodelling. That is the natural contour of the lips, which is there forever, no matter what you do. In the mirror, full face, the alteration may pass, but everyone else will catch the side glimpses which give away the double picture.

Even so, it is wonderful what a mere fraction of an inch added or taken away can do to improve the shape. But the improved outline must be kept within a fraction of an inch either way . . . no more.

Drawing the new outline calls for a firm hand backed by lots of practice and a good lip brush. Lips can be made thinner, fuller, shorter or longer . . . and look quite perfect unless the alterations are overdone.

A lip brush or a lip pencil is indispensable in drawing a clear outline. If the size of the lips is to be reduced, remember to

cover the natural lip line first, with foundation and powder. Now draw the new outline carefully, just inside the natural line. When the lips are too thin, the reverse applies . . . the outline must be drawn a fraction outside the natural line, then filled in with lipstick and carefully blended. These are the two most usual alterations, and quite easy ones to do.

Sometimes only one lip needs alteration . . . as in the case of the full, pouting lower lip. Here it is a good idea to make up the upper lip, then press the lips together leaving an impression on the lower one which shows you how much narrowing is needed . . . if the difference is more than one tenth of an inch, don't be tempted . . . stick to the rules and, though they will still look different, they won't look so different as before.

Lips which are both long and thin are more difficult to deal with. They must be made to appear fuller and at the same time shorter. The outline of the upper lip, starting from the centre, must curve outside the natural contour, then narrow to meet the natural line just short of the corner of the mouth.

The lower outline can be made in one sweep, from just within the corner of the mouth, then below the pouting line to the centre, and up again.

The small, pouting rosebud mouth is another problem, this time of thinning and widening. Here the upper outline must be drawn from the centre just inside the natural line and finish right in the corner of the mouth the thickest fraction outside.

## U.S. As A Woman Sees It

By **KAY MURRAY**

Until about a year ago if you bought a fur coat, or even a cloth coat trimmed with fur, in the U.S., a federal tax of 20 per cent automatically went on the purchase price. Then somebody thought up a law that had as many loopholes in it as a sieve.

It said that in those cases where the other materials of the coat were worth at least as much as a third of the fur value, there would be no tax.

This led to some quick thinking in New York's garment dis-

tributors, and cheap rabbit skin coats began to flood the market, lined with satin so heavy and costly it was worth more than the fur itself. Handmade linings, even, began to find their way into fur garments, were selling well (pre-devaluation) \$25—free of tax, of course.

This raised a furrow among the master furriers, who were losing business, and Washington had to think again.

Now the honeymoon is over: the "Commission" of Internal Revenue has ruled that all fur coats, even if lined with gold tissue, are subject to tax.

Nylon material, slowly beginning to find its way into British women's wardrobes, has branched out in all sorts of directions in the States.

This versatile fibre, made of coal, air and water, can now simulate many other materials, while still retaining all the properties which have endeared it to all women.

Shown in New York recently were nylon lace, rainproof shantung and a short metallic net which is guaranteed non-inflammable.

Given a life which gave the appearance of being the real thing also retained the practical virtue of nylon—its washability and immunity from wrinkling.

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## Ann Temple

### The Popular Girl

Why is it that a girl who is popular with boys and considered "nice" and a "good sort" never seems to attract men?

She can be well dressed, well groomed, and all the rest of it, but it makes no difference. Men like her, but don't fall in love with her.—**PROBES.**

"Never" is an exaggeration. She is of the type for whom there is definitely the right man, and if she has the luck to meet him she is very deeply loved. But he is not in the class of the average man.

The average man is not eclectic in his taste. He runs with the pack—after the obvious. He gravitates to the type of girl who is herself confident with men. He derives his confidence from her, is more comfortable being managed, though he does not know he is being managed.

The selective man has an intelligent confidence in his own judgment and choice. He is not rushed by other men's criteria. A word to the wise . . . there's one mistake the "nice" girl nearly always makes. She is apt to leave surprise out of her equipment.

She should make a volte-face now and again in style and appearance, and look for ways of using the variations of her personality. She is as a rule spirit-whipped given to camouflage and even suppression.

I have a weakness which amazes me, and although I have often grumbled my teeth and said: "No, I always slip back into it."

Day-dreaming . . . I, out-dance Astaire, out-sing Crosby, out-box Louis. All for the starry-eyed admiration of my dream girl.

I have a good job, and I find my workmate good company. True, I haven't any real friends. Can that be the cause of it, or is it mere egotism? I want to turn my life from a perpetual day-dream into something with more real life enjoyment.

Hallo, Walter. Hello, Nipper. Two! Not really so amusing, but I forget it. Most people like to slip away from stern reality into the blazul, "currently where everything goes as they want it to go."

Since you overdo it, getting your teeth and giving your shows you have the regular ordinary common sense. But you have to do more.

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Rubber, mail order, liquor and selected utility issues held up better than most. Profiting was recorded as the main motive for selling. Transfers were 1,200,000 shares.

Among standbys were Magnavox Radio Co., Union Pacific, Philco, Douglas Aircraft, Gulf Oil and Warner Brothers. Others included Pullman, Celanese and Twentieth Century Fox.

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## "American Bases In Spain"

Moscow, November 25.  
The army organ, "Red Star," today repeated recent charges of the Soviet Press that American business has achieved economic domination of Spain while the United States army, navy and air force are running the country's naval and air bases, feverishly expanding them as one nationwide war base.

"Red Star" said: "Throughout Spain under the leadership of American engineers and technicians, autroads are being widened and new strategic highways built linking Spanish Atlantic ports with the French border."

The paper mentioned numerous airports in Barajas, Barcelona, Seville, Bilbao, etc. as already fully equipped for American use. It said a permanent American naval mission in Madrid possesses human material and resources for immediate reconstruction of harbours and is carrying on substantial work in the Canaries, Balearics and Spanish Morocco.

"Red Star" explained that Generalissimo Franco is avidly aiding the United States because he sees therein the sole hope of salvation of his regime, but, "Red Star" said, the Spanish people will not permit it. It reported growth of a partisan movement in popular opposition against being used as cannon fodder.—United Press.

## SUGAR FOR UK

Ciudad Trujillo, November 25.  
The sale of 40,000 long tons of the 1940-41 Dominican sugar crop to Britain was announced today by the Association of Dominican Sugar Producers.—Associated Press.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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CIR DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Hong Kong, 25th November 1940

London, November 25.  
The influential journal "Economist" today criticised the "excessive cost of government" as "by far the biggest single factor throttling the Indian economy".  
It suggested cutting by a third "the milling crowd of bureaucrats who have multiplied profusely since the transfer of power".

Writing under the caption "Delhi And The Future," the paper said, "Inordinate official spending has lifted taxation to the point where it absorbs, perhaps, something like a fifth of the national income, which is very high for a country with India's relatively low standard of living."

There were two possible lines on which India might immediately attack current expenditure. The first would be to reorganise and reduce the bureaucracy. The second would be to slash defence expenditure, if only to a level proportionate to that of European budgets, for which, of course, settlement of the Kashmir dispute was imperative.

"The 50 per cent of the Indian Budget that is to be spent on defence next year," the Economist continued, "compares with some 34 per cent of the American and 23 per cent of the British."

Satisfying U.S.  
"There is no call whatever for such expenditure unless Delhi means use of force against Pakistan," Mr. Nehru has flatly denied.  
The journal suggested that the Indian Government should now reconsider its whole network of development schemes. Nothing less, it contended, would satisfy the Americans if they decided to help with India's capital development.

Pointing out that the capital market in India "had been dead for months" due to widespread lack of confidence engendered by "every sort of constitution crisis" following independence, the "Economist" suggested that India should put all doubts to rest by "finally renouncing its early unsettling pronouncements on industrial control, profit sharing and so on."—Reuters.

## "American Bases In Spain"

Moscow, November 25.  
The army organ, "Red Star," today repeated recent charges of the Soviet Press that American business has achieved economic domination of Spain while the United States army, navy and air force are running the country's naval and air bases, feverishly expanding them as one nationwide war base.

"Red Star" said: "Throughout Spain under the leadership of American engineers and technicians, autroads are being widened and new strategic highways built linking Spanish Atlantic ports with the French border."

The paper mentioned numerous airports in Barajas, Barcelona, Seville, Bilbao, etc. as already fully equipped for American use. It said a permanent American naval mission in Madrid possesses human material and resources for immediate reconstruction of harbours and is carrying on substantial work in the Canaries, Balearics and Spanish Morocco.

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## COAL SURPLUS IN EUROPE

Geneva, November 25.  
Europe's coal supply is likely to exceed demand after 1950, the Coal Committee of the United Nations' Economic Commission for Europe announced here tonight.

The Committee decided to continue to allocate European coal supplies next year as it has done since the war. It said that Europe had ample natural coal resources to meet her own needs but the level of postwar production is not yet high enough to satisfy all demands.

Against British and Belgian opposition the Committee resolved to undertake a study of coal prices.—Reuters.

## TEACHERS STRIKE

Athens, November 25.  
Secondary schools in Greece were closed today. Teachers were on strike for more pay in the latest of a series of 24-hour token stoppages by workers all over the country.

Bank clerks have decided to strike tomorrow. Telecommunications employees are to begin a stoppage on Monday.

Labour leaders claim that devaluation has cut workers' effective pay by 40 per cent.—Reuters.

# ENGLISH FORD CO. SHAKE-UP

London, November 25.  
A major capital re-organisation of the English Ford Motor Company, involving the parent American Ford Company and a mass of shares in the Ford companies in Europe and Egypt, was announced tonight.

After the completion of legal formalities, the American company is taking over the shares in the continental Ford companies at present held by the Ford Investment Company of Guernsey, a subsidiary of the English company.

American Ford owns 50 per cent of the capital of the English company.

Shares held by the Guernsey company, which will pass to the American company, are 99 per cent of the capital of the Egyptian Ford Company, 50 per cent of the Dutch, Portuguese, Spanish and Danish companies, 57.14 per cent of the Belgian company, 100 per cent of the Italian company, 62.25 per cent of the German company, 39 per cent of the Swedish, 14 per cent of the Finnish and 20.73 per cent of the French.

The American company's offer of £4,250,000 for the Guernsey company's shares in the Ford Associated Companies has been accepted by the British company.—Reuters.

## MEAT OUTPUT HALVED

Buenos Aires, November 25.  
The Argentine meat output dropped by half today when 100,000 workers in packing plants throughout the country started a "working to rule" campaign.  
They want guarantees against men being laid off. They announced that if their terms, which also include other claims, were not met they would strike, which might not only half production but cause the loss of all meat in stock because of the paralysis of refrigeration plants.—Reuters.

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## Money Market

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Sterling at HK\$15.05, and Australian pounds at HK\$12.10, were unchanged.

Pinstripes were again nominal at HK\$13.30 a 100.

Ticals were unchanged at HK\$27 a 100, while NEI Guilders improved 10 cents to HK\$23 a 100.

Washington, November 25.  
Population of the United States was 149,947,000, on October 1, the Census Bureau reported today. It is estimated to have passed the 150,000,000 mark since then.—Associated Press.

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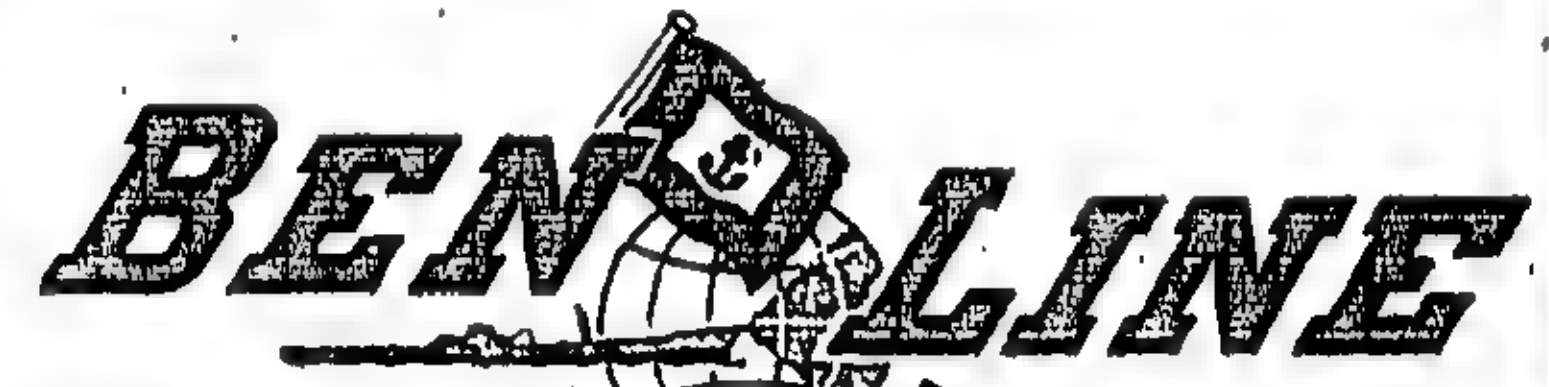
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"PRODUCE"	Kobe & Keelung	6th/7th Dec.
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# Rules And Strokes In Billiards, Snooker

(By "PYRAMID")

This is the first of a series of weekly articles on Billiards and Snooker.

Apart from dealing with items of local interest, the articles will contain comments on play and players in the United Kingdom, explanations of rules which are often the subject of argument and also strokes of the game, including hints for both Billiards and Snooker novices.

Prior to the Pacific War, the Hong Kong Billiards Association which is no longer in existence, organized both League and Championship events throughout the Colony and great enthusiasm was shown.

This Association was the governing body of Billiards and Snooker until the last few months, very little was organized in the way of Leagues or Knock-out Competitions. At present, Steel Couston is running a Snooker League for Clubs and Messes and its progress appears to be most satisfactory.

I also learn that the Chinese Clubs are still playing off the Hong Kong Billiards Association which was inaugurated at that time. However, I hope that with the help and co-operation of the Colony's many enthusiasts, the Hong Kong Billiards Association will soon be reconstituted.

### Pro Championships

This week, we find ourselves breaking into the middle of the World's Professional Snooker Championships and eagerly awaiting the final result.

From what I have heard of Kingsey Kennerley, he seems to be most determined to win the Qualifying Section and "have a go" at Walter Donaldson.

Fred Davis v Alec Brown, George Chenier v Peter Mann, Walter Donaldson v Section "B" winner.

Albert Brown v John Pulman. The final is due to be played at Blackpool between March 1 and March 13, 1950 and the semi-finals at Newcastle and Oldham probably in early February.

### The Rules

As most keen snooker players undoubtedly know, the rules can be interpreted in many different ways. It is, therefore, part of the work of a referee to interpret them in the correct way.

For those who have more than my fingers if I counted this number of different positions I have seen pool-balls replaced, when all the spots are occupied.

To quote a few: Touching the top cushion, the centre of the bottom cushion, within a two or six inch radius of the centre spot, and many more.

On enquiring, out of interest, where the information was obtained, I nearly always receive the answer: "Oh, I don't know—I always thought it was placed there."

So you can see that merely because of one player not even reading the rules, the table information is passed on and "hundreds go wrong."

It is clear, in rule 8, Rules of Snooker, in a manner unlikely to create doubt, that "if all the spots are occupied, the ball shall be placed as near its own spot as possible, between that spot and the NEAREST part of the top cushion, without touching another ball."

### Strokes Of Game

In endeavouring to give a few hints to the "ordinary" snooker player, I use the word "novice" in a general sense, as there are many players who are considered quite good according to the average standard of their respective clubs, who are in reality, novices.

where the finer points of the game are concerned.

With a good proportion of these players, some of whom may have been playing for years, positional play never seems to enter into the scheme of things.

To put a red and get on an colour is the limitation of their ambition. Sometimes, more by luck than by judgment, they will get several reds and colours if succession and proudly declare they have improved.

This type of player must understand that although potting ability is essential, there is also something called "method" which is equally important.

### Important Point

The important point in Snooker is not only getting on a pool-ball after potting a red, but getting on it at the right angle.

The ordinary player is content enough if he can get directly behind a colour, obviously thinking that this is a hundred per cent positional play; but this is where he is wrong, for although it may be considered as the best position for potting that ball, the ordinary player will do but three things with the cue-ball.

He can run straight through; (2) stop the cue-ball dead upon a screw straight back.

A professional, in addition to these three things, can use powerful side and screw and come back to rebound off a cushion at a suitable angle for the next red, a stroke too far advanced for the ordinary player.

Therefore, unless it is obviously the correct stroke to get straight behind the pool-ball, pot on it at an angle, at the correct side of the object ball and you will be surprised at the improvement you will be able to make in your positional play.

(Next week: Strokes of the Game)

### Boys' And Girls' Association Sports Meeting

The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association held a successful Inter-Club Sports Meeting at the Queen's College Football ground yesterday.

Clubs from the Mainland and the Island competed and were divided into two sections—Boys and Girls.

Eight clubs competed in the Girls' section which was won by the YVCA with 14 points. Kowloon No. 1 were runners-up with 55 points and Holy Spirit was a close third with 40 points.

Altogether there were 18 Boys' clubs competing and the championship of the section went to Wah Yan with 115 points. Jesuit Rd. Seniors were second with 106 points and Stanley Boys' Camp occupied third position with 81 points.

Prizes were distributed to the winners by Mrs. V. C. McDonald. She herself was the recipient of a bouquet of red lilies from one of the girl participants.

Before and after the sports meeting there were singing and physical training displays by various clubs.



A tense moment in the Hong Kong goalmouth during yesterday's soccer match between a Hong Kong XI and the Helsingborg Swedish soccer team, with Tenuu, the Hong Kong pivot, (facing camera), anxiously looking on. The Swedish team won by two goals to one. ("China Mail" Photo).

## Position Of HKDF Remains Unchanged

(Continued from page 3)

"Some people seem to think that with the arrival of large reinforcements for the regular Garrison volunteer assistance is not required. This is not so, in fact the position is quite the reverse, the regulars are equipped and organized for specific military tasks in the defence of the Colony, should active defence be necessary."

"To disband the forces from these tasks would defeat the whole object of sending them here. In the end this Colony will remain safe and be ready to meet any emergency, only provided that all of us, civilians and regular servicemen alike, show that we are prepared to play our part in guaranteeing the security of Hong Kong."

"In conclusion I would like to say that as far as the Naval Force is concerned, HMS, Lyman, for a Fleet Minesweeper of just over 1,000 tons, fully equipped, has arrived in Hong Kong and is at present undergoing a final refit by the Commodore Hong Kong before being handed over to the Naval Force. This will enable basic training in the most up to date Naval practice to be given."

"Two companies of the Hong Kong Regiment have recently completed a very successful period of training for a week at Salalah. On the Air Force side four Avro Six aircraft and one dual control Avro Tutor aircraft have arrived in the Colony and will be assembled as soon as the necessary modifications to the HKAAF Hangar are completed. This will enable full flying training to be carried out. The training of the fighter control is proceeding, but more volunteer particularly women, are required for this."

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# UNIVERSITY HOLD ARMY TO DRAW

## KCC Lose To Recreio By One Wicket

Army, who are leaders in the First Division of the Cricket League, received a rude shock when they visited Pokfulam yesterday and lost their hundred per cent record to the Hong Kong University, who held them to a draw in a First Division League game.

Kowloon Cricket Club suffered their second defeat of the season when, playing at Cox's Road, they lost to Club de Recreio by one wicket.

HKCC "Scorpions" accounted for Indian Recreation Club at Sookumpoo by 75 runs, while the "Optimists" who were hosts to the Royal Navy at Chater Road, were forced to be content with a draw.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Cricket Club beat King George V School in a low scoring game by 22 runs.

Club de Recreio, who entertained the Commandos at King's Park, beat their guests by 57 runs. The game between Royal Navy and Indian Recreation Club, also at King's Park, ended in a win for the Indians by 28 runs.

### HKU—Army

At Pokfulam yesterday, the Hong Kong University surprised the Army XI to a draw in their First Division League cricket encounter.

Much credit must be given to Dick Thomson and J.C. Koh, who put up a stubborn ninth wicket stand and played out time to force the draw with the league leaders.

Enjoying first lease of the mauling wicket, the Army batsmen soon adapted themselves and declared after scoring 100 for five wickets. G.H. Tomlinson scored 50 not out and F.E. Thompson knuckled out 52 before being bowled by T.H. Lean. Best University bowler was H.K. Poh who, in three overs obtained three wickets at the sacrifice of 13 runs.

The Undergraduates started on the wrong foot and lost S.M. Teh, one of their opening batsmen with only two runs on the board. L.T. Hui scored a useful 18, but it seemed all over when the other batsmen failed to stand up against Mitchell, the Army bowler.

Going in when the eighth wicket fell, Koh played a careful innings. Both Thomson and Koh treated all deliveries with a straight bat and refused to be tempted even by loose balls.

When stumps were down due to falling light, Koh had scored 18 not out, while Thomson, who had battled for over an hour, had only 10 to his credit.

Mitchell took five wickets for 42 runs in 14 overs.

Army  
F.E. Thompson, b. Lean 52  
S. Smith, c. Poh, b. Teh 9  
G.H. Tomlinson, not out 56  
M.W. Holmes, c. Koh, b. Poh 81  
B. Braverman, b. Poh 3  
H.K. Grace, c. Lean, b. Poh 4  
Extras 4

Total (for five wks, dec.) 100  
W.K. Hedley, W.M. Mitchell, R.P. Pierce, D.H. Crane and R.C. Corfield did not bat.

Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
S.M. Teh 10 1 40 1  
T.H. Lean 12 3 40 1  
J.C. Koh 8 2 43 0  
S.A. Vannar 2 0 12 0  
B.K. Poh 3 0 13 3

HKU  
S.M. Teh, c. Corfield, b. Pierce 0  
L.T. Hui, b. Mitchell 19  
G.H. Tomlinson, b. Pierce 19  
F.E. Thompson, b. Mitchell 5  
B.K. Poh, c. Grace, b. Mitchell 6  
D.G. Grace, not out 16  
D. Chelliah, c. Hedley, b. Mitchell 4  
S.A. Vannar, c. Pierce, b. Grace 2  
J. Peter, c. Hedley, b. Mitchell 1  
J.C. Koh, not out 18  
Extras 4

Total (for eight wks.) 47  
T.H. Lean did not bat.  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Corfield 6 2 8 0  
Pierce 7 2 8 0  
Mitchell 14 3 42 2  
Grace 3 1 6 0  
Hedley 3 0 13 0

KCC  
E. C. Fletcher, b. G. N. Gosano 19  
W. H. Colledge, b. G. N. Gosano 10  
F. R. Zimmerman, b. G. N. Gosano 10  
A. Zimmerman, b. O'Connell 10  
N. Hart-Baker, c. Rodriguez, b. L. G. Gosano 4  
C. P. Smith, run out 0  
A. Stepto, b. E. L. Gosano 0  
R. E. Lee, c. Pereira, b. L. G. Gosano 0  
F. R. Kermann, c. Prata, b. O'Connell 0  
Lerlou, b. Beltrun, b. O'Connell 0  
W. M. Davidson, not out 2  
Extras 11

Total 117  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
G. N. Gosano 10 2 29 3  
A.P. Pereira 5 0 30 1  
E. L. Gosano 9 0 30 1  
H. L. O'Connell 5 1 18 2  
L. G. Gosano 1 1 3 2

Recreio  
L. G. Gosano, c. Stepto, b. Kermann 20  
A. M. Prata, c. Lerlou, b. Kermann 17  
G. N. Gosano, b. Lee 13  
E. L. Gosano, c. Lerlou, b. Lee 3  
M. D'A. Remedios, c. and b. Zimmerman 15  
P. M. N. da Silva, b. Lee 10  
E. M. L. Soares, b. Lee 0  
A. M. Rodrigues, not out 11  
H. L. O'Connell, b. Zimmerman 4  
A. P. Pereira, b. Zimmerman 6  
N. A. Beltrun, not out 11  
Extras 11

Total (for nine wks.) 118  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
F. Zimmerman 10 2 31 3  
S. M. Teh 10 1 14 2  
F. Kermann 11 1 31 2  
R. E. Lee 11 2 20 4

IRC—"Scorpions"  
Playing at Sookumpoo yesterday, the HKCC "Scorpions" proved too good for the Indian Recreation Club in a First Division League cricket game and won by 75 runs.

A feature of the match was the first bowling performance of A. R. Abbas, in 9.1 overs he took seven wickets at the expense of 34 runs.

"Scorpions" batted first and scored 149 before the last wicket fell. Top scorer was T. A. Pearce with 58, while L. F. Stokes contributed 29 and J. O. O'Driscoll 28.

The HKC batsmen began their innings disastrously, losing their first three wickets without scoring a run. A. R. Abbas was the most successful batsman, scoring 25 before being caught.

S. A. Smith was also in line form with the bat but could not find anyone to stay in with him. He carried his bat for 25.

"Scorpions"  
L. E. Stokes, b. Minu 28  
T. A. Pearce, b. Mohideen 58  
F. A. Veller, c. Ali, b. Abbas 8  
J. K. K. c. Ismail, b. Abbas 0  
H. M. Newton, b. Abbas 0  
J. B. Elliott, b. Abbas 0  
F. Howarth, c. Omar, b. Minu 1  
J. O. O'Driscoll, b. Abbas 28  
R. S. Cull, b. Abbas 10  
A. P. Veller, not out 5  
J. C. McFarlane, b. Abbas 3  
Extras 3

Total 149  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
A. R. Abbas 10 2 34 7  
S. A. Smith 10 1 14 2  
F. Kermann 11 1 31 2  
R. E. Lee 11 2 20 4

KCC—Recreio  
The First Division League game between Kowloon Cricket Club and Club de Recreio at Cox's Road yesterday, which resulted in a one-wicket victory for the Indians, was an exciting one, the run which gave Recreio victory being scored by R. E. Lee from the last ball of the last over.

KCC batted first and knuckled up 117 runs, to which A. Zimmerman contributed 39. The only other batsman to offer any opposition to the Recreio bowling were E. C. Fletcher (10), W. H. Colledge (10) and F. R. Zimmerman (10).

L. G. Gosano took two wickets for eight runs, while H. L. O'Connell captured three, for 10. A. Zimmerman also took three, but for 10. Gosano followed up his first bowling performance by scoring 30 runs. O. N. Gosano was next best with 10.

R. E. Lee did most of the damage with the ball for KCC, taking four wickets for 30 runs.

Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
A. R. Abbas 10 2 34 7  
S. A. Smith 10 1 14 2  
F. Kermann 11 1 31 2  
R. E. Lee 11 2 20 4

IRC  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
M. J. Hazare, run out 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0  
A. R. Abbas, b. Cull 0

Total 74  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Cull 10 1 34 8  
Howarth 10 2 25 4  
Weller 4 1 11 2

"Optimists"—Royal Navy  
The First Division League cricket match at Chater Road between HKCC "Optimists" and Royal Navy ended in a draw.

Royal Navy took first lease of the wicket and finished with the score standing at 149 runs, for seven wickets, to which Grant, who played a brilliant innings, contributed a valuable 81 runs.

Howard was the most successful bowler for the "Optimists", capturing two wickets for 25 runs.

In reply to this total, the "Optimists" had scored 108 for four when stumps were drawn. Arthy, who opened for the "Optimists" was in fine form with the bat and scored freely all round the wicket. When stumps were down, he had 50 runs not out to his credit.

Royal Navy  
A.C. Long, b. Pritchard 2  
J. R. Venable, b. Pritchard 10  
R.F. Westfield, b. Howard 13  
T. Grant, c. Arthy, b. Mahon 81  
H. Nation, b. Howard 8  
A.M. Cadman, c. Howard, b. Smith 11  
S. Brown, b. Arthy 10  
H.J. Abraham, not out 13  
L. White, not out 13  
Extras 15

Total (for seven wks, dec.) 149  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
A. R. Abbas 10 2 34 7  
S. A. Smith 10 1 14 2  
F. Kermann 11 1 31 2  
R. E. Lee 11 2 20 4

"Optimists"  
N.E. Arthy, not out 59  
C.H. Pritchard, c. Grant, b. Isack 69  
K.A. Miller, b. Isack 2  
W. Howard, b. Mathieson 25  
L.D. Kilbee, not out 9  
Extras 4

Total (for four wks.) 108  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
W.L. Slater, T. Mahon, H. R. H. Kline, A.L. Smith and L. Thessen-Enders did not bat.

Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Mathieson 10 2 37 2  
Isack 12 2 37 2  
White 9 4 13 0  
Cadman 5 0 14 0  
Brown 2 0 22 1

KGV—KCC  
Kowloon Cricket Club beat King George V School by 22 runs in a Second Division League cricket game played at the School campus yesterday.

Battling first, KCC were all out for 77 runs. S. A. Gray was the only KCC player to do anything of note with the bat and at the end of the KCC innings, had 29 not out to his credit.

Salter was in deadly form with the bat, for KGV, dismissing four of the KCC batsmen for 12 runs in 10 overs, three of which were maidens.

faced with this low score, the schoolboys could only reply with 55 runs, the only batsman to

reach double figures being D. A. Hutton, who scored 14. D. G. White was the most successful KCC bowler, taking three wickets for nine runs in four overs.

KCC  
A. T. Lee, b. Dunne 0  
A. F. Broadbent, b. Bottomley 10  
V. C. Bond, b. Dunne 10  
E. Randall, c. and b. Dunne 8  
D. G. White, not out 7  
D. G. White, b. Dunne 20  
R. G. Latham, b. Salter 0  
R. N. Manley, b. Salter 0  
G. Russell, b. Salter 0  
L. Clues, b. Salter 4  
Extras 4

Total 77  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Salter 8 5 3 12  
Bottomley 6 2 10 1  
Dunne 6 2 21 2  
White 6 3 22 4

Today's Sport  
CRICKET  
Second Division  
Dockyard v RAF at King's Park, 1.45 p.m.

Friendlies  
Jardines v Butterfield & Swire at Chater Road, 11.15 a.m.  
Prestinitis v Sindhi Merchants at Sookumpoo, 9.30 a.m.

SOCCER  
Halsinberg Swedish XI v Combined Chinese at Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.

BOWLS  
Crangengower Cricket Club "At Home" and Closing Day, 2-30 p.m.

HOCKEY  
Navy v Police, R.N.R.C. No. 1 (11.30 a.m.); Commandos v Chudat, Sookumpoo (10 a.m.); Dutch v Recreio "B" King's Park (11.15 a.m.); Recreio "A" v R.N.R.C. King's Park (11 a.m.); Y.M.C.A. v Nomads, R.N.R.C. No. 2 (10 a.m.).

SOCCER  
Halsinberg Soccer Club v Combined Chinese, Caroline Hill (3-30 p.m.).

SOFTBALL  
Men's Senior League—Americans v Chung Hwa, CBA (11 a.m.); Baseballers v U.S. Navy, CBA (12.30 p.m.); St. Teresa's v Cuthberts, CBA (2 p.m.); Overalls v Braves, CBA (3.30 p.m.); Dardavilla v Madagas, Recreio (9.30 a.m.); Jaguars v Cannadins, Recreio (11 a.m.); Faidas v Pubs, Recreio (2 p.m.); Men's Junior League—Jaguars v Blackhills, Recreio (12.30 p.m.); Overalls v Braves, Recreio (3.30 p.m.).

Recreio—Commandos  
The Commandos' best Club in Recreio by 57 runs in a Second Division League cricket match at King's Park yesterday.

The Commandos, batting first, scored 100 runs, their highest score being Dowling, who had 20 not out to his credit. Gutierrez took three wickets for 23 runs, while Alves also captured three, but at the sacrifice of 27 runs.

Against the deadly bowling of Welch, who took seven wickets for 11 runs, the Recreio could only muster 43 runs in reply to the Commandos' total of 100.

Commandos  
Welch, b. Alves 0  
Haraway, b. Gutierrez 25  
Coulstock, b. Gutierrez 21  
Sawyer, b. Alves 8  
Down, run out 5  
Dowling, not out 20  
Mustow, c. Remedios, b. Alves 12  
Aldridge, b. Edmund 12  
Owen, c. Rosario, b. Remedios 9  
Roche, b. Kermann 1  
Hitchcock, b. Gutierrez 4  
Extras 8

Total 100  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Gutierrez 10 2 23 3  
Alves 8 1 27 3  
D. Remedios 8 0 24 2  
Osmund 6 0 18 1

Recreio  
A.E. Noronha, c. Dowling, b. Welch 4  
A.A. Lopes, c. Dowling, b. Welch 1  
D.E. Remedios, b. Welch 12  
E.M. Rosario, b. Welch 10  
R.A. Remedios, c. Hitchcock, b. Welch 0  
I.E. Gutierrez, c. Dowling, b. Welch 5  
Owen 5  
Osmund, b. Welch 6  
Remedios, b. Owen 6  
E.A.R. Alves, not out 1  
Soares, c. and b. Welch 1  
C.A. Gutierrez, c. and b. Owen 0  
Extras 8

Total 43  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Motiwalla 15 3 28 6  
Ebrahim 18 0 23 3  
Khan 3 2 2 0  
Leichand 1 0 6 0  
Makar 1 0 0 1

Navy  
Workman, b. Ebrahim 5  
Jones, b. Motiwalla 4  
Gask, b. Ebrahim 12  
Pinto, c. Razack, b. Motiwalla 12  
Harwood, b. Motiwalla 7  
Bailey, b. Motiwalla 7  
Maylor, b. Ebrahim 12  
Vale, b. Motiwalla 0  
Moffat, b. Motiwalla 0  
Noise, b. Makar 2  
Picketts, not out 2  
Extras 2

Total 64  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Motiwalla 15 3 28 6  
Ebrahim 18 0 23 3  
Khan 3 2 2 0  
Leichand 1 0 6 0  
Makar 1 0 0 1

RN—IRC  
In a Second Division League cricket match at King's Park yesterday, Indian Recreation Club beat Royal Navy by 28 runs.

The Indians, who had first lease of the wicket, scored 92 runs. Makar contributing a useful 21 not out. Bux also contributed 21 before being bowled.

On their turn at the wicket, the Navy also found runs hard to get and were all out for 64, the only batsmen to reach double figures being Noise (14), Peate (12) and Maylor (12).

Motiwalla was responsible for the Navy debacle, dismissing six batsmen for 28 runs.

IRC  
Burns, b. Noise 1  
Bux, b. Pearce 21  
Hassan, b. Vale 8  
Khan, run out 7  
Whab, c. Vale, b. Pearce 11  
A.K. Minu, b. Noise 6  
Makar, not out 21  
Razack, c. and b. Maylor 2  
Ebrahim, c. Noise, b. Maylor 9  
Leichand, b. Maylor 4  
Motiwalla, run out 4  
Extras 4

Total 92  
Bowling Analysis  
O M R W  
Noise 12 2 41 2  
Vile 8 1 13 1  
Maylor 4 0 12 3  
Pearce 2 0 22 2

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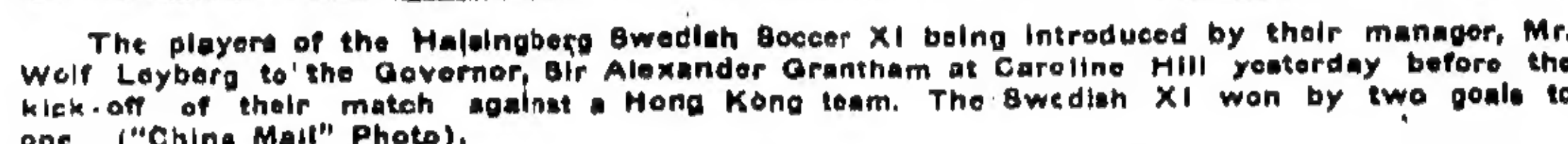


## Swedish Players Meet Governor

**Tonnuci Brilliant**  
Tennuci, the Hong Kong pivot, was always in the limelight and together with Santos, was the

However, on their third try, he was beaten by A. Jonsson, who raced down the centre and then cut out to the right, where

From the re-start, Hong Kong swept into the attack and Cheung Lam-hoi and Ho Ying-fun made further attempts to force the



Tenhuai, Santos, Ho Ying-kun, at 217. Tied for third are J. Duha  
Cheung Kam-hoi, Tang Yee-ki, Harrison and the Philippine  
Chai Man-chi (Captain) and Chu Larry Montes with 220.—Ass  
Wing-keung. clated Press.

W. P. Tsui and Y. P. Tsui proved far superior to Szeto Hick and Chan Chi-keung and won their match in straight sets 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.

**Struck On Nose**  
In the second inning, play was held up for some time as June Lee fouled a pitch which struck Neale Simmons on the nose and caused profuse bleeding. Neale

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